

ELO Suite for SAP ArchiveLink® (SAP NetWeaver® & SAP S/ 4HANA®)

ELO Smart Link for SAP® ERP –
Configuring an SSL connection




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Introduction

This documentation describes how to configure an SSL connection between an SAP system or the associated content repository and the ELO Smart Link for SAP® ERP interface, called ELO Smart Link in the following.

Basics

Certain requirements have to be met to configure an SSL connection between these two systems. For example, the SAP system kernel should be up-to-date and the SAP system should have the current cryptography library (CommonCryptoLib). The profile parameters used should also be configured so that the ELO Application Server cipher suites can be accepted.

You will find more information on SAP configuration and the required versions on the [SAP support site](#) under the following notes:

- 510007 – Additional information about setting up SSL on the Application Server ABAP
- 2287896 – saphttp and SSL: client cipersuites configuration

Information

Accessing the SAP Support Launchpad requires an S-user on SAP sites.

The ELO server setup must have also been performed with the settings for configuring an SSL connection with certificate chain.

Issues

One common reason why the SAP system won't connect to ELO Smart Link for SAP® ERP via SSL even though certificates have been imported is that no common cipher suite is found during negotiation.

This is because many SAP systems are only configured for the old TLS protocol version 1.0 as standard. By updating the kernel and the cryptography library, the SAP system also supports newer protocols. However, these have to be activated in the configuration (see information in the chapter [Basics](#)).

To test this scenario, we recommend setting the cipher suite parameters to 967:PFS:HIGH:MEDIUM:+e3DES::EC_P256:EC_HIGH.

As the SAP system has to be restarted every time changes are made to these profile parameters, we recommend using a very high profile parameter value right from the start.

Configuration in the SAP system

First, export the certificate from ELO and import it to the corresponding SAP system. Use an up-to-date browser. In this example, we used Firefox.

Certificate export

The certificate can be exported right within the browser using the ELO Smart Link for SAP® ERP configuration interface.

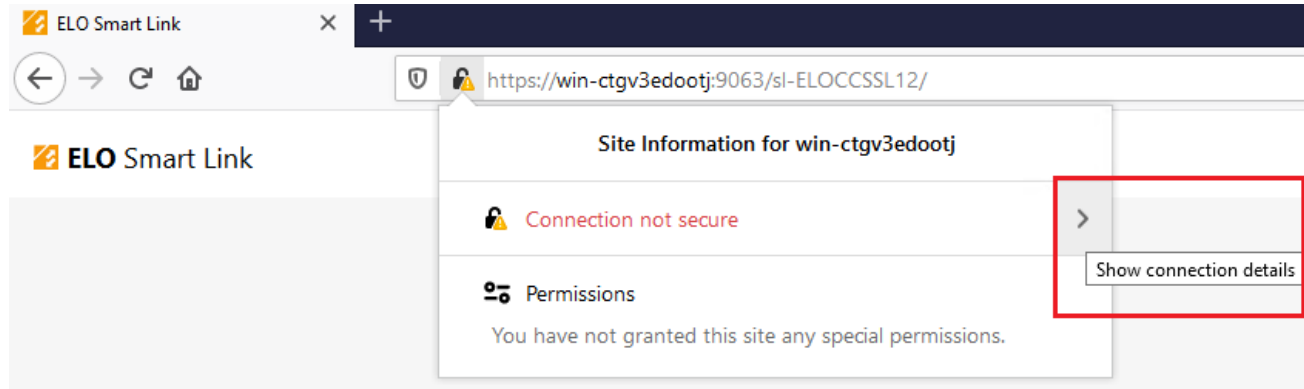


Fig.: Browser: Connection details

1. Navigate to the connection details in the browser address bar.

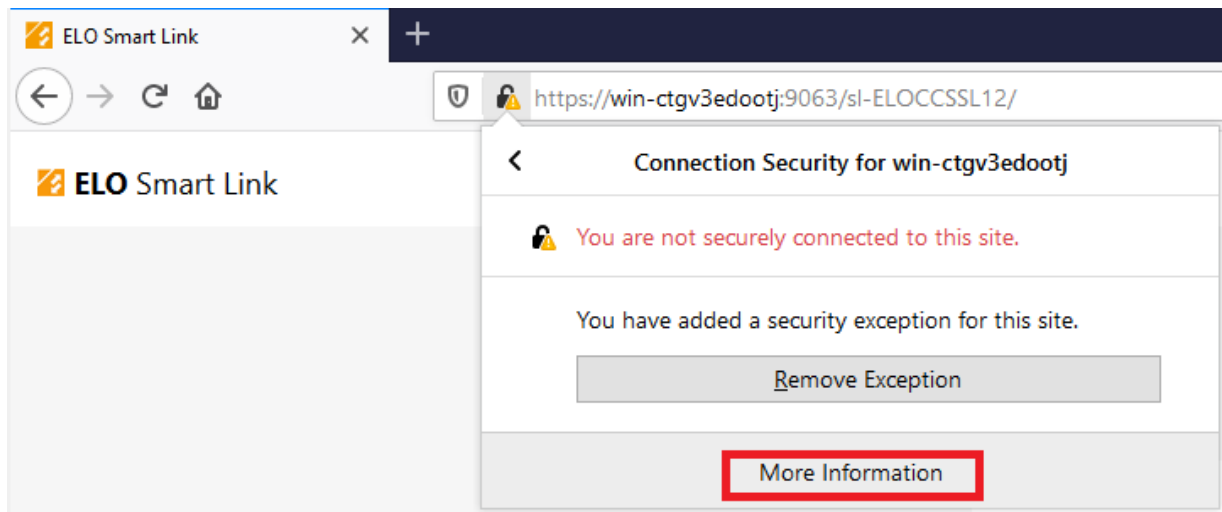


Fig.: Browser: More Information

2. In the connection details, now select *More Information*.

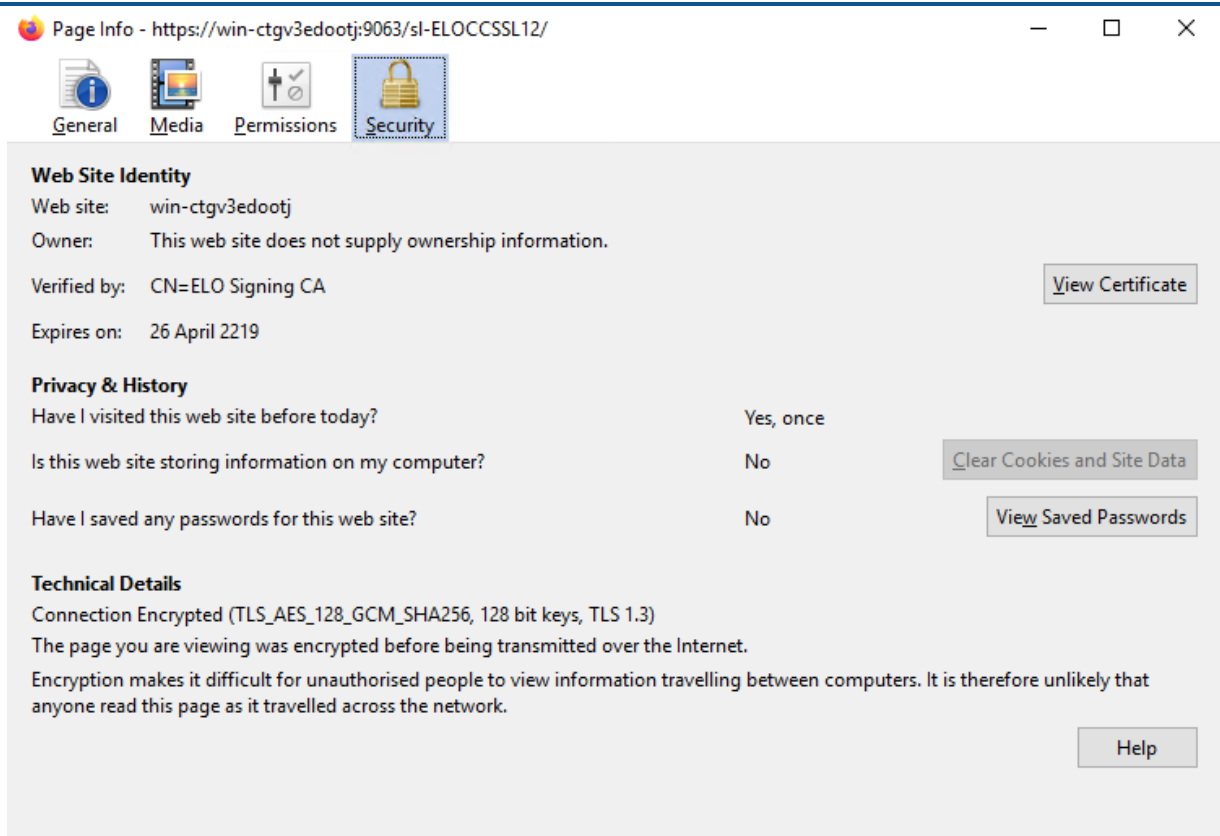


Fig.: Web Site Identity

3. In the following window, select *Security* in the ribbon. Under *Web Site Identity*, click *View Certificate*.

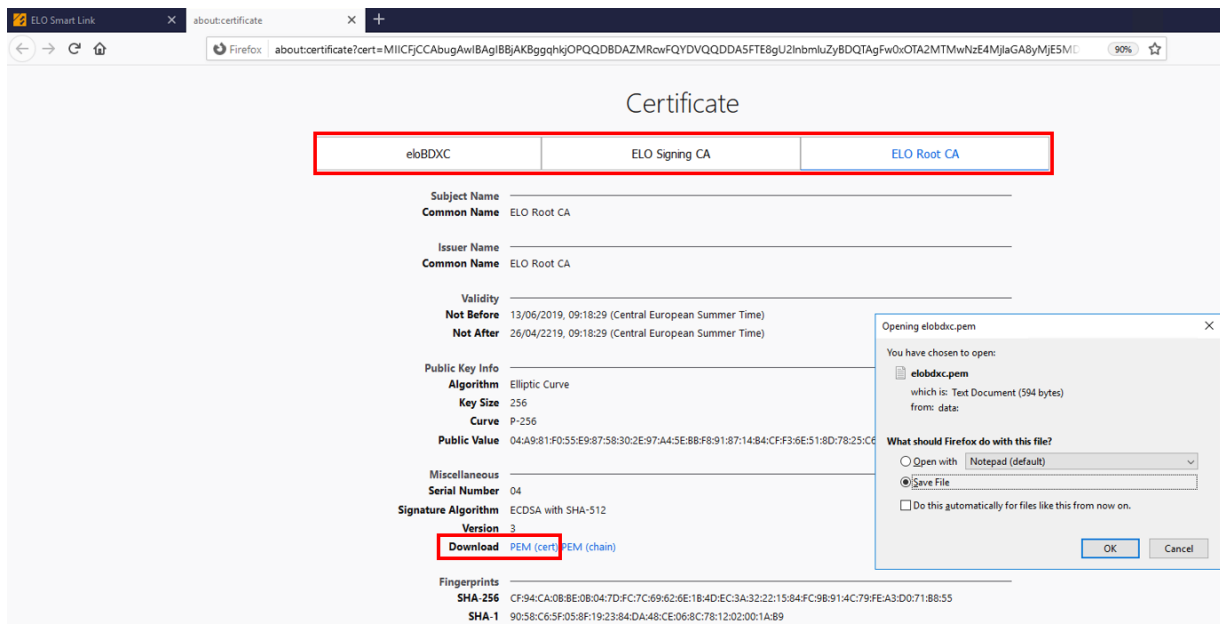


Fig.: Certificate view

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Export the entire certificate hierarchy. Select each of the certificates and export them separately. As the certificates have to be imported to the SAP system in the correct order, we recommend numbering the certificates when downloading them.

Certificate import

1. To import the certificates, open the transaction *STRUST* in the SAP system.
2. In the certificate store, select the *SSL Client (Standard)* folder.



Fig.: Importing certificates

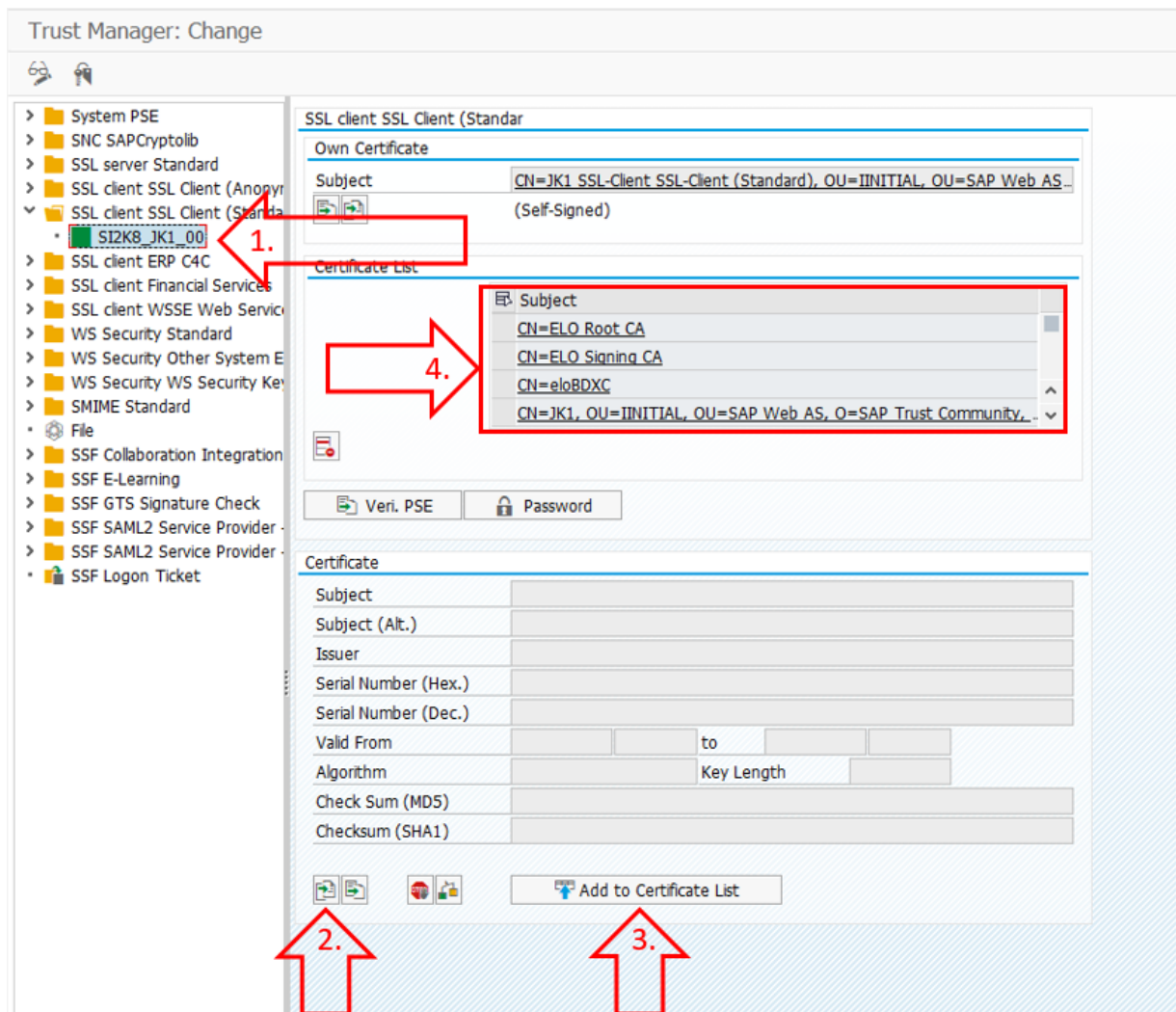


Fig.: Trust Manager in the SAP system

3. Click *Import certificate*, select the file path and exported certificates individually, then add each of these certificates to the certificate list by clicking *Add to Certificate List*.

Configuring the content repository

In the next step, the content repositories also have to be switched to HTTPS.

1. To do this, open transaction *OAC0*. This transaction contains another option for configuring an HTTPS connection.

Display Content Repositories: Detail


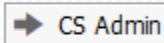
Simple admin. Full administration

Content Rep. E1 Modified 60 / 166

Description

Document Area ArchiveLink

Storage type HTTP content server

Protocol ELOJC  

Version no. 0046 Content Server version 4.6

HTTP server 10.49.110.200

Port Number 9050 SSL Port Number

HTTP Script al-CCENTW11/ContentServer

Transfer drctry D:\usr\sap\JK1\SYS\global\

Phys. path D:\usr\sap\JK1\SYS\global\

OutputDevice ARCH

HTTPS on frontend HTTPS possible HTTPS on backend HTTPS possible

Time created 18.01.18 12:06:17

Created by BACKES

Name Timo Backes

Last Changed At 19.12.19 09:43:33

Last changed by KIEL

Name Jürgen Kiel

Fig.: Content repositories – HTTPS

2. In the command field/transaction field, enter %HTTPS and confirm with the ENTER key.

Display Content Repositories: Detail

Simple admin. Full administration

Content Rep. ZE Active 157 / 167

Description

Document Area ArchiveLink

Storage type HTTP content server

Protocol ELOJC

Version no. 0047 Content Server Version 4.7

HTTP server sapint-elo12ssl

Port Number SSL Port Number 9063

HTTP Script sl-EL012/ContentServer

Transfer drctry D:\usr\sap\JK1\SYS\global\

Phys. path D:\usr\sap\JK1\SYS\global\

OutputDevice ARCH

HTTPS on frontend HTTPS required HTTPS on backend HTTPS required

Fig.: Connection settings

3. If you only want to communicate via HTTPS, make the following settings.

Port number

SSL port number 9063

Frontend HTTPS HTTPS required

Backend HTTPS HTTPS required

The port entered here corresponds to the port selected in the ELO Smart Link for SAP® ERP installation.

Please note

The value entered to the *HTTP server* field must match the name in the certificate. For example, the IP address cannot be entered here if the certificate has been issued with a name.

Once all settings have been applied, the SAP system and ELO now communicate exclusively via an HTTPS connection.

Troubleshooting

The HTTPS calls used by the SAP system are performed on the application server with a utility library. For this reason, you won't find any detailed log files for troubleshooting purposes. We therefore recommend configuring the following scenario to ensure logging and enable subsequent troubleshooting.

1. Call the transaction *SM59* and double-click the TCP/IP connection *SAPHTTPA* to select it.
2. The *Show/Change* button takes you to edit mode for the transaction.

The screenshot shows the 'RFC Destination' configuration screen for 'SAPHTTPA'. The 'Special Options' tab is active, and the 'Set RFC Trace' checkbox is checked. The 'Trace' section also includes 'Activate RFC Trace' and 'Trace Export Methods' (set to 'Export Trace').

RFC Destination	
Connection Test	Unicode Test
RFC Destination: SAPHTTPA	
Connection Type: T	TCP/IP Connection
Description	
Description 1	Automatically Generated on 19991205
Description 2	
Description 3	

Administration | Technical Settings | Logon & Security | Unicode | **Special Options**

Special Flags

☐ Slow RFC Connection RFC Bit Options

Trace

☐ Activate RFC Trace

☒ **Set RFC Trace**

Trace Export Methods

☐ Default Gateway Value

☒ Export Trace

☐ Do Not Export Trace

Keep-Alive Timeout

☒ Default Gateway Value

☐ Timeout Inactive

Fig.: RFC Destination SAPHTTPA

3. Switch to the *Special Options* tab and check the box next to *Set RFC Trace* in the *Trace* area.
4. Now, save the settings.
- 5.

Next, you want to perform a call (connection) between the SAP system and ELO. For example, you can perform a connection test with a configured content repository in transaction *OAC0*.

6. Call the transaction *AL11*.

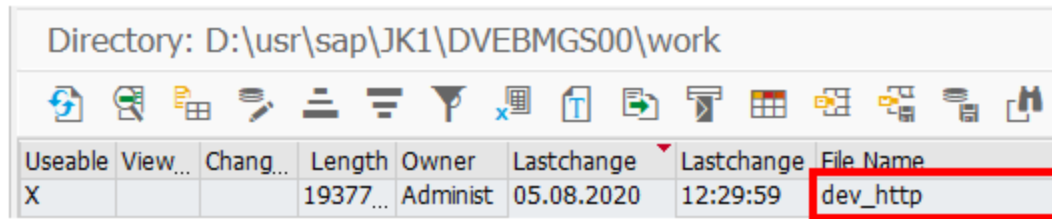


Fig.: Work directory

7. Double-click the entry *DIR_HOME* in the list to select it (work directory). In this directory, you should now find a file named *dev_http*.
8. You can analyze any possible errors within this file.

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[Thr 4716] SapISLComposeFilename(anon_pse): using default "E:\usr\sap\JK2\DVEBMGS00\sec\SAPSSLA.pse"
[Thr 4716] = Server SSL CTX 00000000080B8750 pvflags = 897 (TLSv1.1,TLSv1.0,BC)
[Thr 4716] = Client SSL CTX 00000000080BEE60 pvflags = 128 (TLSv1.0)
[Thr 4716] = AnonClient SSL CTX 00000000080D7940 pvflags = 128 (TLSv1.0)
[Thr 4716] = The Server SSL CTX
[Thr 4716] = provides this ordered list of 7 ciphersuites:
[Thr 4716] = 1. TLS_RSA_WITH_AES128_GCM_SHA256
[Thr 4716] = 2. TLS_RSA_WITH_AES256_GCM_SHA384
[Thr 4716] = 3. TLS_RSA_WITH_AES128_CBC_SHA
[Thr 4716] = 4. TLS_RSA_WITH_AES256_CBC_SHA
[Thr 4716] = 5. TLS_RSA_WITH_RC4_128_SHA
[Thr 4716] = 6. TLS_RSA_WITH_RC4_128_MD5
[Thr 4716] = 7. TLS_RSA_WITH_3DES_EDE_CBC_SHA
[Thr 4716] = Success — SapCryptoLib SSL ready!
[Thr 4716] =====
[Thr 4716] <<- SapSSLInit(read_profile=0)==SAP_O_K
[Thr 4716] [4044:4716] Connected to sapint-elol2ssl Port 9063 in 0 ms
[Thr 4716] <<- SapSSLSessionInit()==SAP_O_K
[Thr 4716] in: args = "role=1 (CLIENT), auth_type=3 (USE_CLIENT_CERT)"
[Thr 4716] out: ssl_hdl = 000000000A2B0190
[Thr 4716] SSL NI-sock: local=10.0.2.5:51697 peer=10.0.2.4:9063
[Thr 4716] <<- SapSSLSetNiHdl(ssl_hdl=000000000A2B0190, ni_hdl=1)==SAP_O_K
[Thr 4716] <<- SapSSLSetTargetHostname(ssl_hdl=000000000A2B0190)==SAP_O_K
[Thr 4716] in: hostname = "sapint-elol2ssl"
[Thr 4716] *** ERROR during SecudeSSL_SessionStart() from SSL_connect()==SSL_ERROR_SSL
[Thr 4716] session uses PSE file "E:\usr\sap\JK2\DVEBMGS00\sec\SAPSSLA.pse"
[Thr 4716] SecudeSSL_SessionStart: SSL_connect() failed —
[Thr 4716] secude_error 536875072 (0x20001040) = "received a fatal TLS handshake failure alert message from the peer"
[Thr 4716] >> ————— Begin of Secude-SSL Errorstack ————— >>
[Thr 4716] 0x20001040 | SAPCRYPTOLIB | SSL_connect
[Thr 4716] SSL API error
[Thr 4716] received a fatal TLS handshake failure alert message from the peer
[Thr 4716] 0xa0600266 | SSL | ssl3_connect
[Thr 4716] received a fatal TLS handshake failure alert message from the peer
[Thr 4716] 0xa0600266 | SSL | ssl3_read_bytes
[Thr 4716] received a fatal TLS handshake failure alert message from the peer
[Thr 4716] << ————— End of Secude-SSL Errorstack —————
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Fig.: Example error

As an example, we entered an incorrect configuration and performed a connection test. In this case, the client cipher suite only accepts TLS version 1.0.