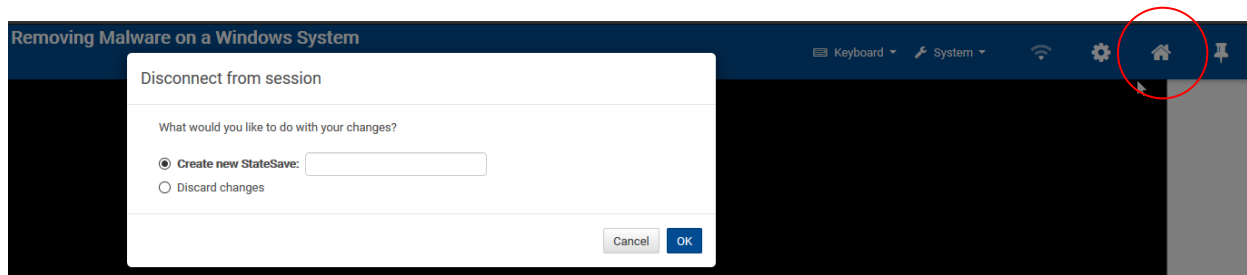


Lab #2 (Required): Using Encryption to Enhance Confidentiality and Integrity*

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**** Save Your Lab Status!**** You may need to save your lab from time to time as each session allows you to be logged in only for two hours at a time. To save your current status in the lab environment, **click the Home icon button** (🏠) in the top right corner and choose **Create new StateSave** if it's your first time saving or **Overwrite existing StateSave** if you have saved it before.



Learning Objectives

In this lab, you will learn how cryptography tools can be used to ensure message and file transfer integrity and how encryption can be used to maximize confidentiality. You will use Kleopatra, the certificate management component of GPG4Win, to generate both a public and private key as both a sender and a receiver. You will use the sender's keys to encrypt a file, send it to the receiver, and decrypt it with the receiver's copy of the keys.

Upon completing this lab, you will be able to:

- Apply the concepts of common cryptographic and encryption techniques to ensure confidentiality.
- Understand public and private key pairs and basic asymmetric cryptography.
- Generate a public and private key pair.

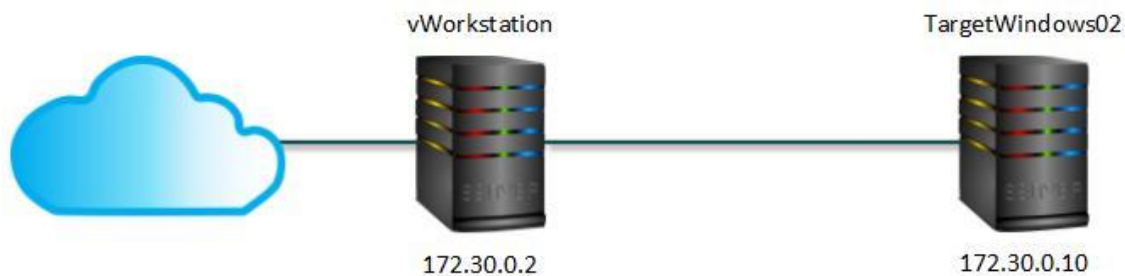
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- Upload a certificate to Directory Services server on the Internet.
- Encrypt a data message using a public and private key pair.
- Decrypt a data message using a public and private key pair.

Lab Structure

This lab has the following parts which should be completed in the following order:

1. In the first part of the lab, you will create a public and private key pair for the senders account on the LandingVM desktop.
2. In the second part of the lab, you create a public and private key pair for the receiver's account on the remote desktop, TargetWindows02.
3. In the third part of the lab, you will transfer and import the public key from the receiver, TargetWindows02.
4. In the fourth part of the lab, you will encrypt a file on the LandingVM desktop using the receiver's public key and digitally sign it using the sender's private key, send it to the remote machine, and then decrypt the file.
5. In the fifth part of this lab, you will answer a challenge question which will help you understand the difference between two well-known certificate types.



Tools and Software

The following software and/or utilities are required to complete this lab. Students are encouraged to explore the Internet to learn more about the products and tools used in this lab.

- GPG4Win (Kleopatra)

Lab Deliverables

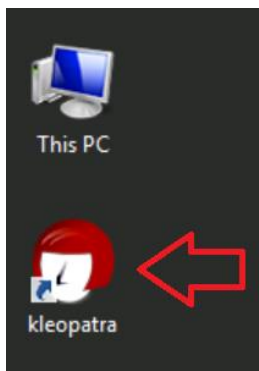
- Upon completion of this lab, you are required to provide the following deliverables.
 - **One PDF file** that includes:
 - Screenshot from Part 1: Steps #11 and #17
 - Screenshot from Part 4: Step #22
 - Your analysis on the Challenge Question from Part 5 (in 200 words)
 - **The secret-message.txt.gpg file**, that you created in Part 4 (Step #9)

- Lab Report Submission
 - Please submit your deliverables through the LMS submission space.
 - The screenshots should be readable.
 - Make sure you include all the items required in your report.

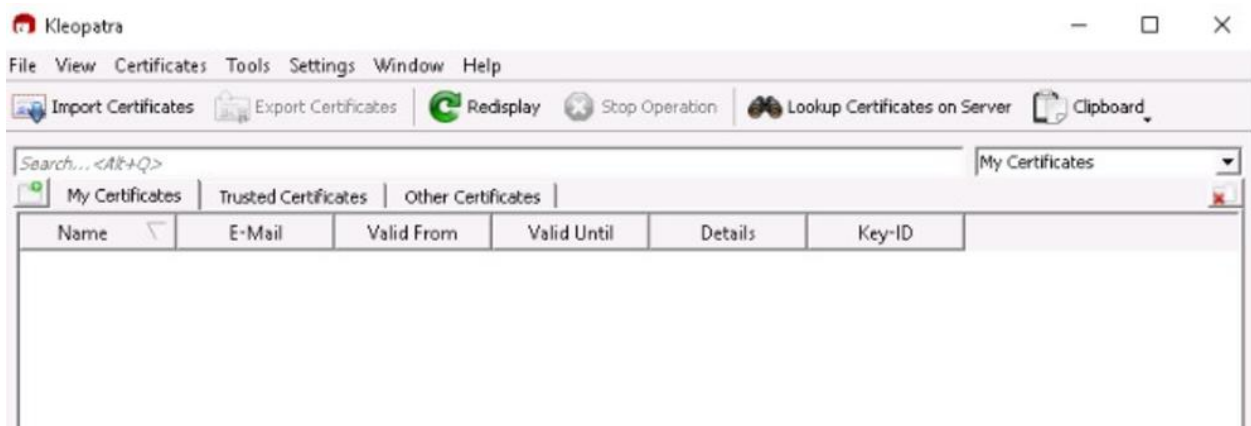
Part 1: Create a Public and Private Key Pair for the Sender

Note: In the next steps, you will use Kleopatra to create a set of keys (private and public) that will enable you to encrypt and decrypt a file later in this lab. Keys are also referred to as certificates. Your public key can be used by others to decrypt files that you have encrypted with your private key. You only need to provide your public key, never your private key.

1. **Double-click** the **Kleopatra icon** on the desktop and open the Kleopatra component of the GPG4Win application. (Try resetting the lab if Kleopatra does not work properly).

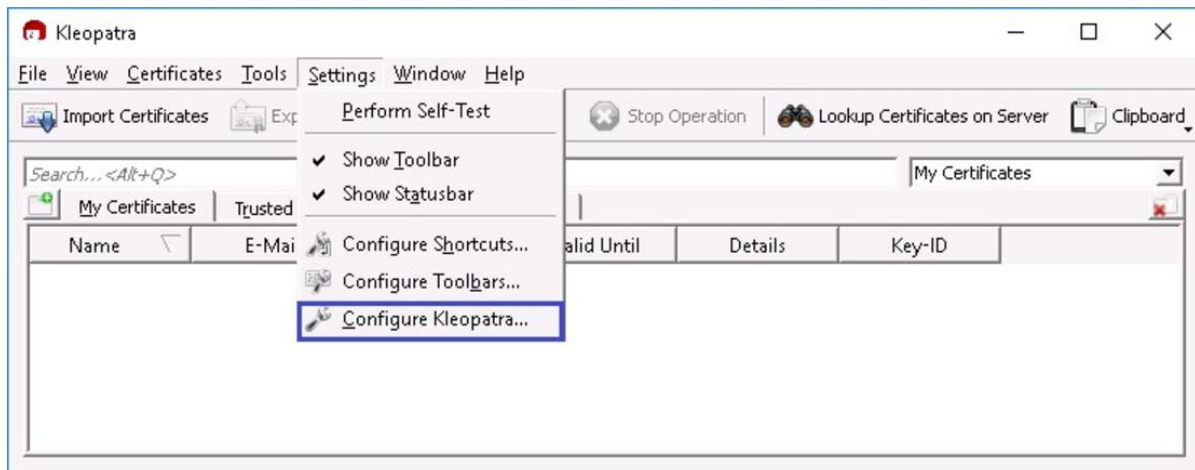


[Figure 1 Kleopatra Icon](#)



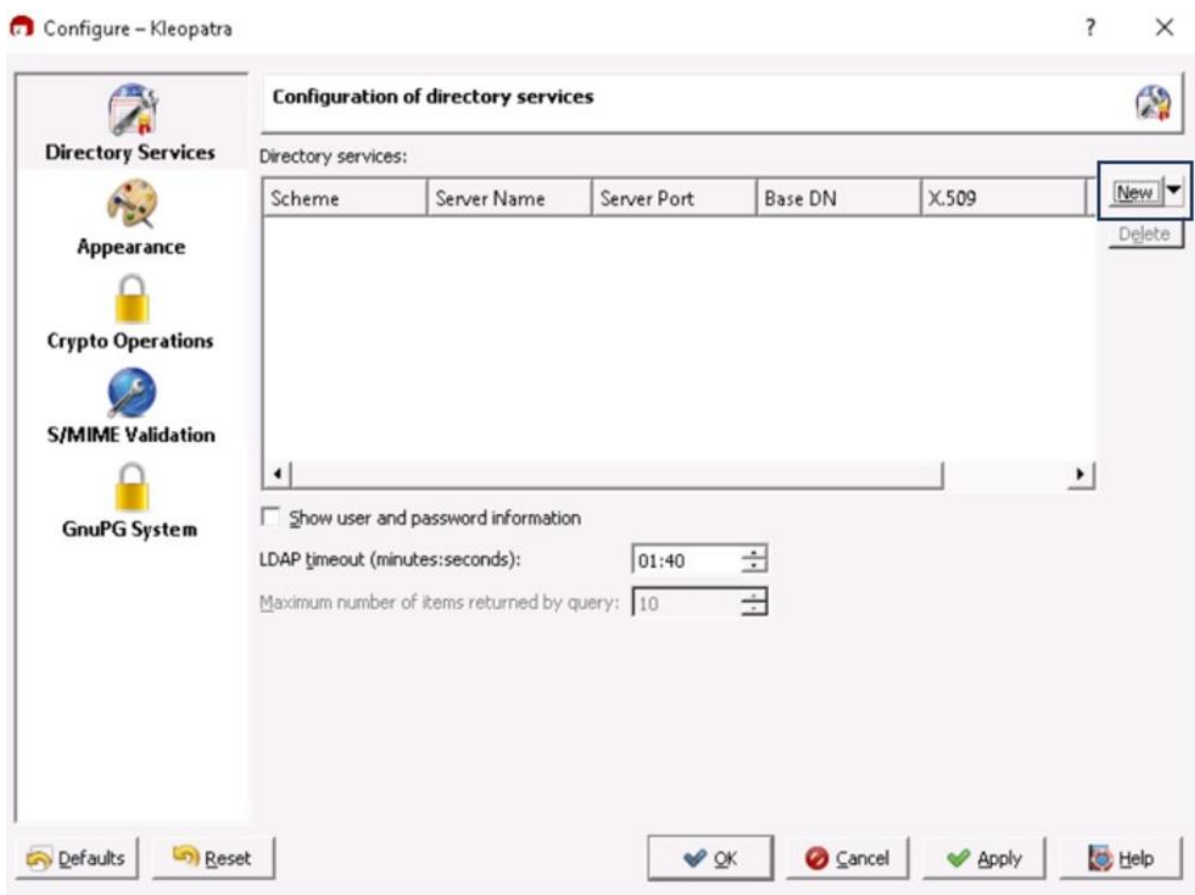
[Figure 2 Kleopatra Application](#)

2. Click **Settings** and select **Configure Kleopatra** from the menu.



[Figure 3 Configure Kleopatra](#)

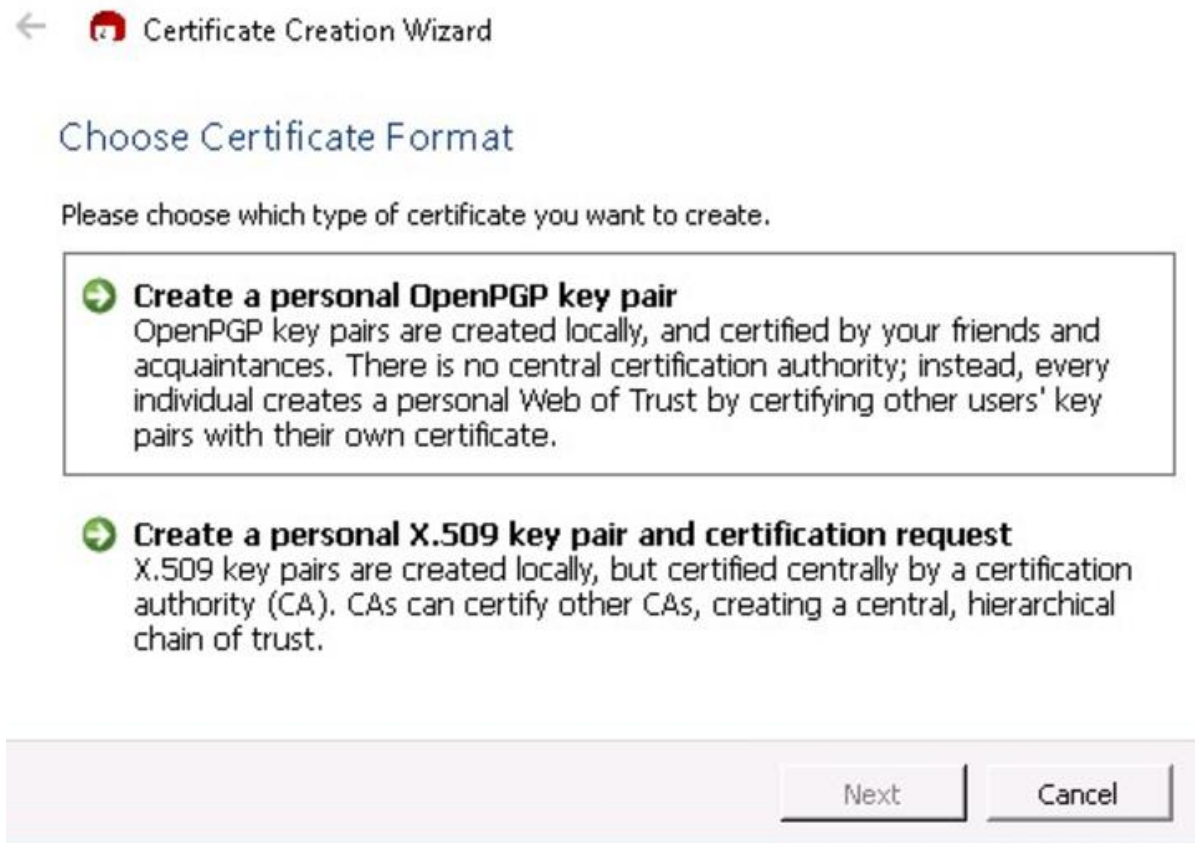
3. Click the **New** button in the top right corner to add a new directory services server.



[Figure 4 Add directory services](#)

4. Click **OK** to accept the default server name, keys.gnupg.net, and close the dialog box.

5. Click **File** and select **New Certificate** from the Kleopatra menu to open the Certificate Creation Wizard.
6. Click the **Create a personal OpenPGP key pair** option.



[Figure 5 Create a new certificate using Kleopatra](#)

7. In the Enter Details screen, **type** the following information, replacing the placeholder text for your own unique details, and **click Next** to continue.

- Name: *Your own name*
- Email: *Your own test email address*

Note: A valid email address is required for testing purposes. Your instructor should advise you to use your school email address, or to create a new one using a free email service (i.e., Gmail, Yahoo, Hotmail, etc.) for use during this course. You will give your instructor the email address you used in this lab, so s/he may verify it as part of your homework.

The Comment box can remain empty. While not required to create a key pair, it can be useful if you are creating a certificate for a specific purpose, such as testing or for a specific client. If

you do add a comment, it becomes part of your login name, and will be visible to the receiver.



The screenshot shows a window titled "Certificate Creation Wizard" with a back arrow and a red icon. The main heading is "Enter Details". Below it, a message says: "Please enter your personal details below. If you want more control over the certificate parameters, click on the Advanced Settings button." There are three input fields: "Name:" with the placeholder "Your Name" and "(required)" label; "EMail:" with the placeholder "yourtestemailaddress@gmail.com" and "(required)" label; and "Comment:" with an empty field and "(optional)" label. Below these fields, the text "Your Name <yourtestemailaddress@gmail.com>" is displayed. To the right of this text is a button labeled "Advanced Settings...". At the bottom right of the window are two buttons: "Next" and "Cancel".

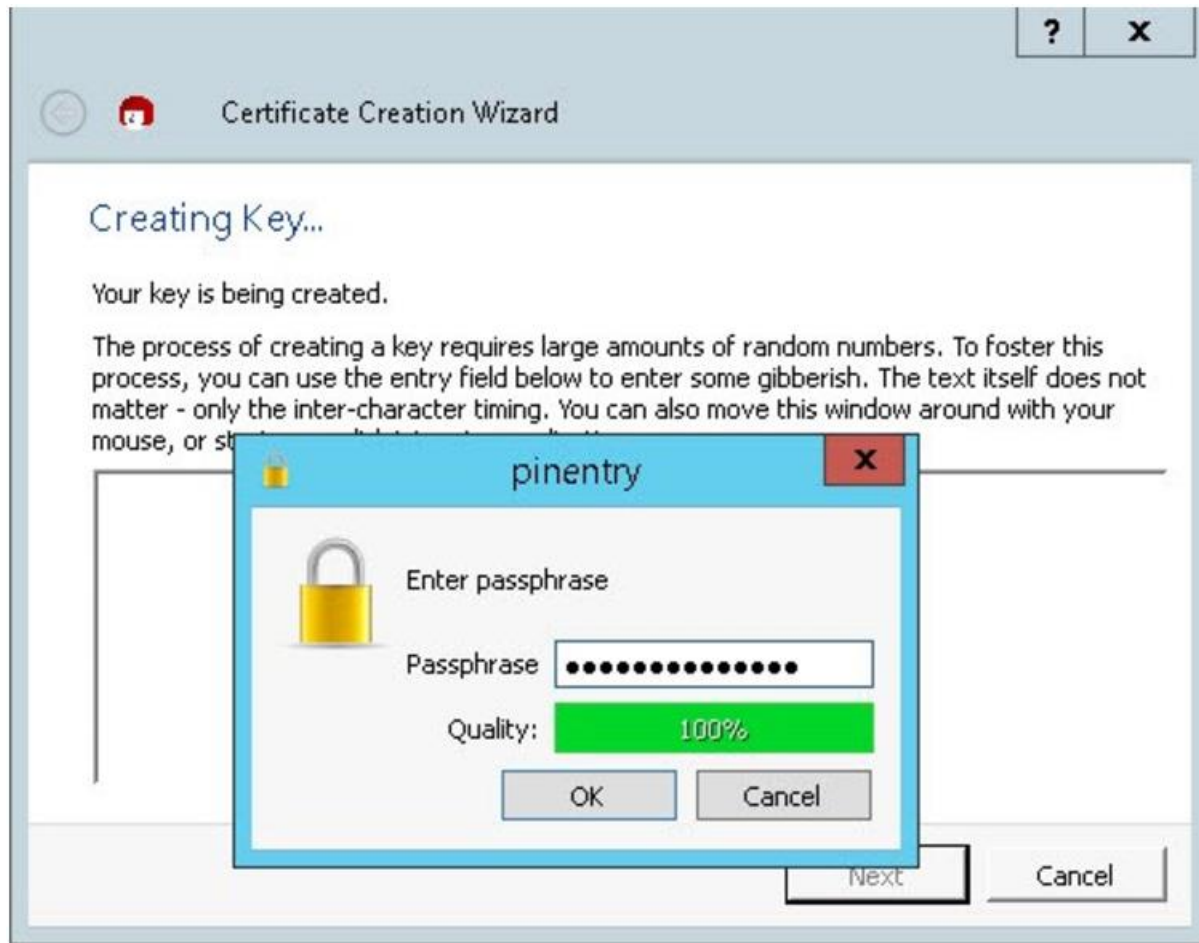
[Figure 6 Enter certificate details](#)

8. **Click the Next button and then click the Create Key button** on the Review Certificate Parameters page.

A pinentry (pin entry) dialog box will pop up to complete the creation of a key. You need to enter a passphrase, or password.

9. In the pin entry dialog box, **type *ITsecurity!* and click OK.**

As you type, notice that the Quality meter below the passphrase changes to indicate the degree of security offered by the passphrase. A password that includes upper- and lowercase letters as well as numbers is more secure than one that uses only numbers, such as a birthdate, or a recognizable word, such as *password*.

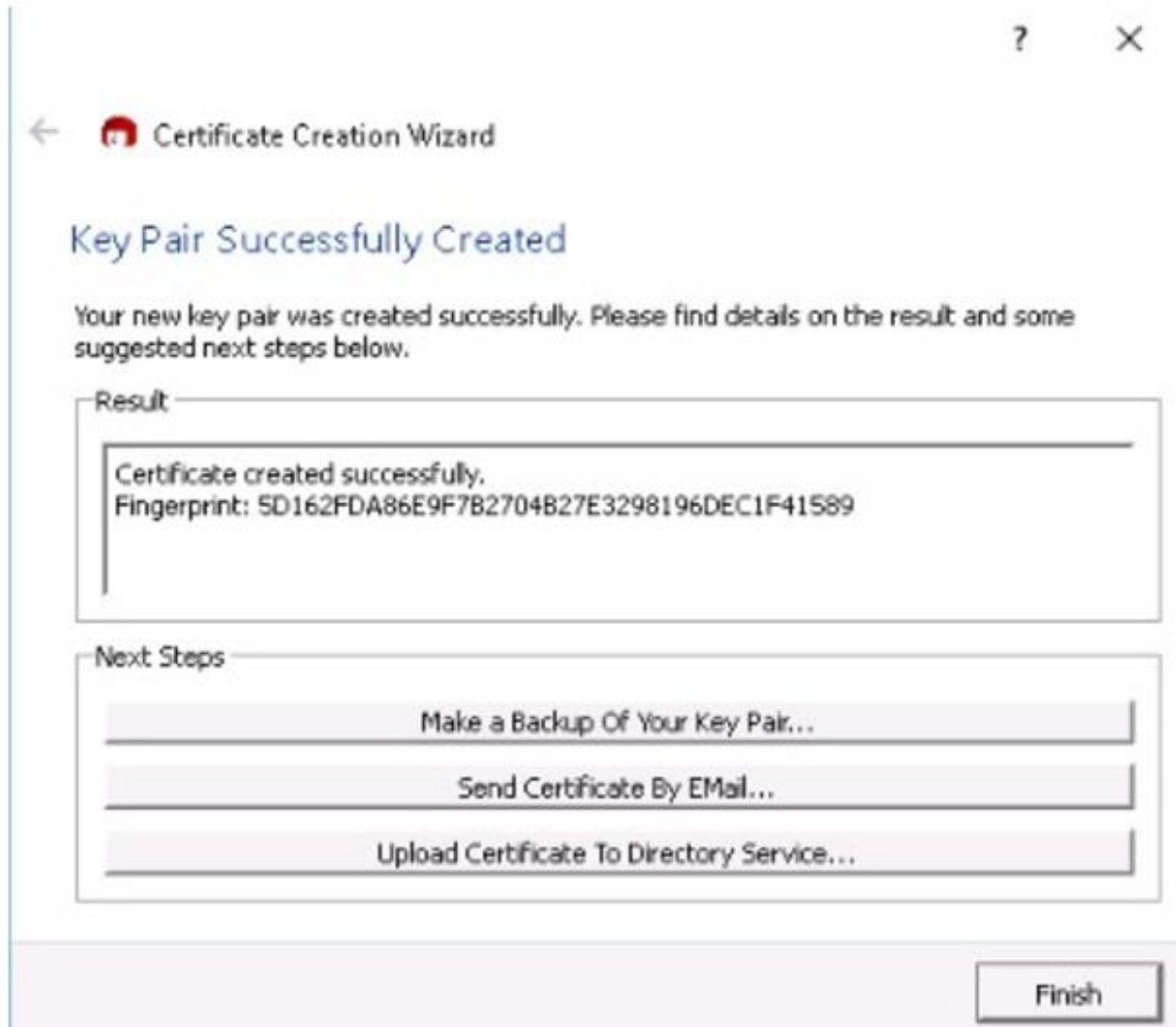


[Figure 7 Create a passphrase for the new certificate](#)

10. You will be prompted to enter the passphrase again; **type 1Tsecurity!** again and **click OK** to generate the key.

When the key is successfully created, a unique 40-character fingerprint will appear in the Result area of the dialog box. With the key created, you have several options for handling it:

- **Make a Backup of Your Key Pair.** This option sends a copy of your private key to your computer where you can store it anywhere you'd like.
- **Send Certificate By E-Mail.** This option will create a new e-mail and automatically attach your public key certificate.
- **Upload Certificate to Directory Service.** You can store your certificate on a public Internet server.



[Figure 8 Successful key pair fingerprint](#)

11. **Make a screen capture** showing the **fingerprint generated by the key creation process** and **paste** it into your Lab Report file.
12. **Click the Upload Certificate to Directory Service button** and then **click Continue** to ignore the warning message.



[Figure 9 Kleopatra](#)

[warning message](#)

13. Click **OK** when the export process is completed.



[Figure 10 Successful export of certificate message](#)

14. Click **Finish** to close the Certificate Creation Wizard.

The new certificate appears in the My Certificates tab of the Kleopatra application. The Key-ID is the same as the last 8 digits of the fingerprint associated with this certificate. Each new certificate is created with no expiration (valid until) date, but you can set an expiration date in the Certificate Details screen. A key pair that has expired can be re-enabled with the private key and the passphrase. To revoke a key (render it unusable), you can create a special revocation signature file. Revocation keys cannot be created in the Kleopatra application.

15. Click the **Lookup Certificate on Server button** to verify the certificate.

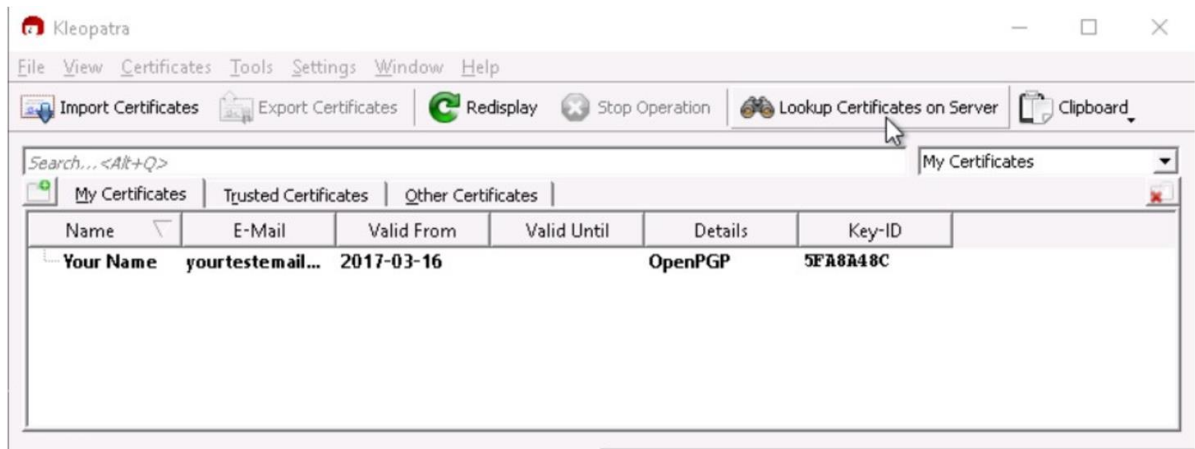


Figure 11 Verify certificate

16. In the Find box, **type** the *test email address* you used to create the certificate, and **click Search** to confirm the certificate was uploaded to the Public Directory server.

This process may take several minutes; you may click the Search button repeatedly to refresh the results of this screen. When your test email address appears in the search results section, adjust the column widths so that your name and email address are visible in their entirety.

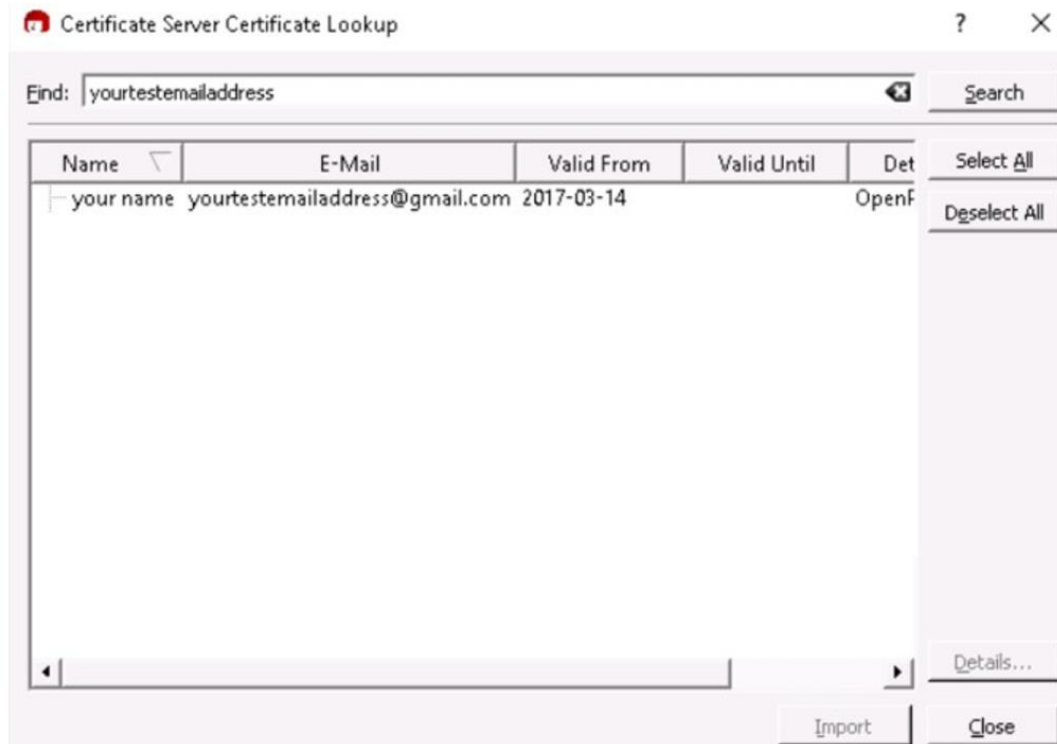
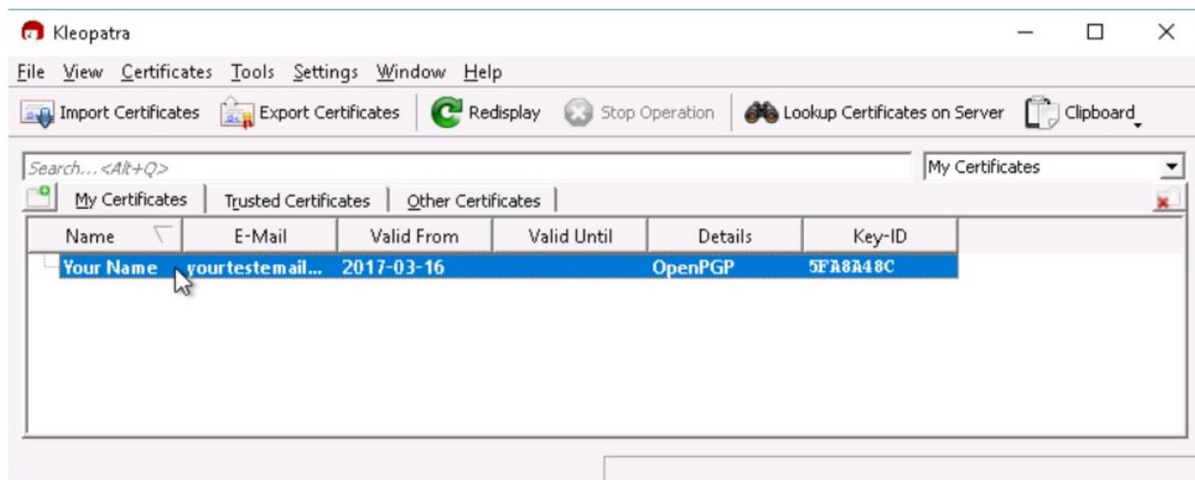


Figure 12 Certificate search

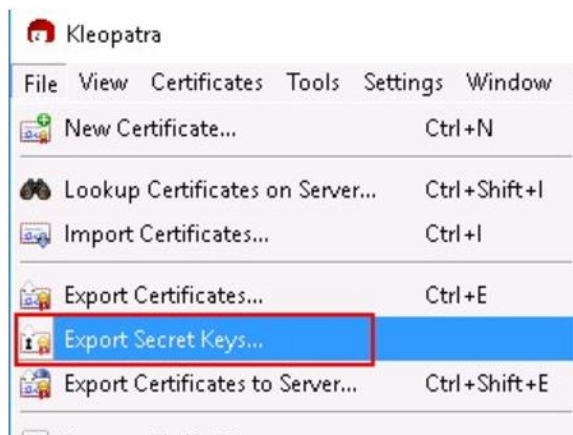
17. **Make a screen capture** showing *your own test email address* in the Certificate Server Certificate Lookup window and **paste** it into your Lab Report file.

18. **Click Close** to close the window.
19. **Click your newly created certificate** to select it.



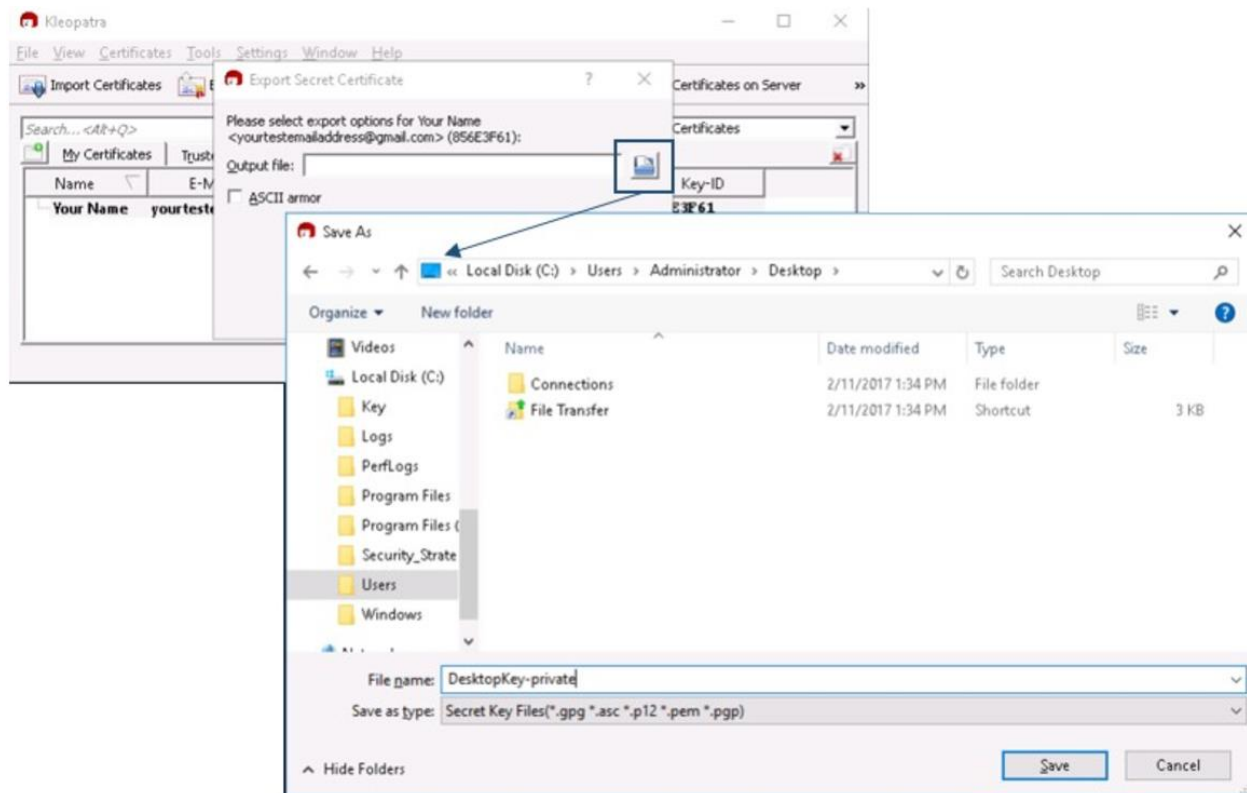
[Figure 13 Certificate preview](#)

20. With the certificate selected, **click File** and **select Export Secret Keys** to save your private (secret) key.



[Figure 14 Export certificate](#)

21. In the Output file box of the Export Secret Certificate dialog box, **click the Browse button** to open a Save As dialog box and then **navigate** to the vWorkstation desktop (**This PC > Local Disk (C:) > Users > Administrator > Desktop**), **type DesktopKey-private** in the File Name box, and **click Save** to return to the Export dialog box.



[Figure 15 Export Secret Certificate](#)

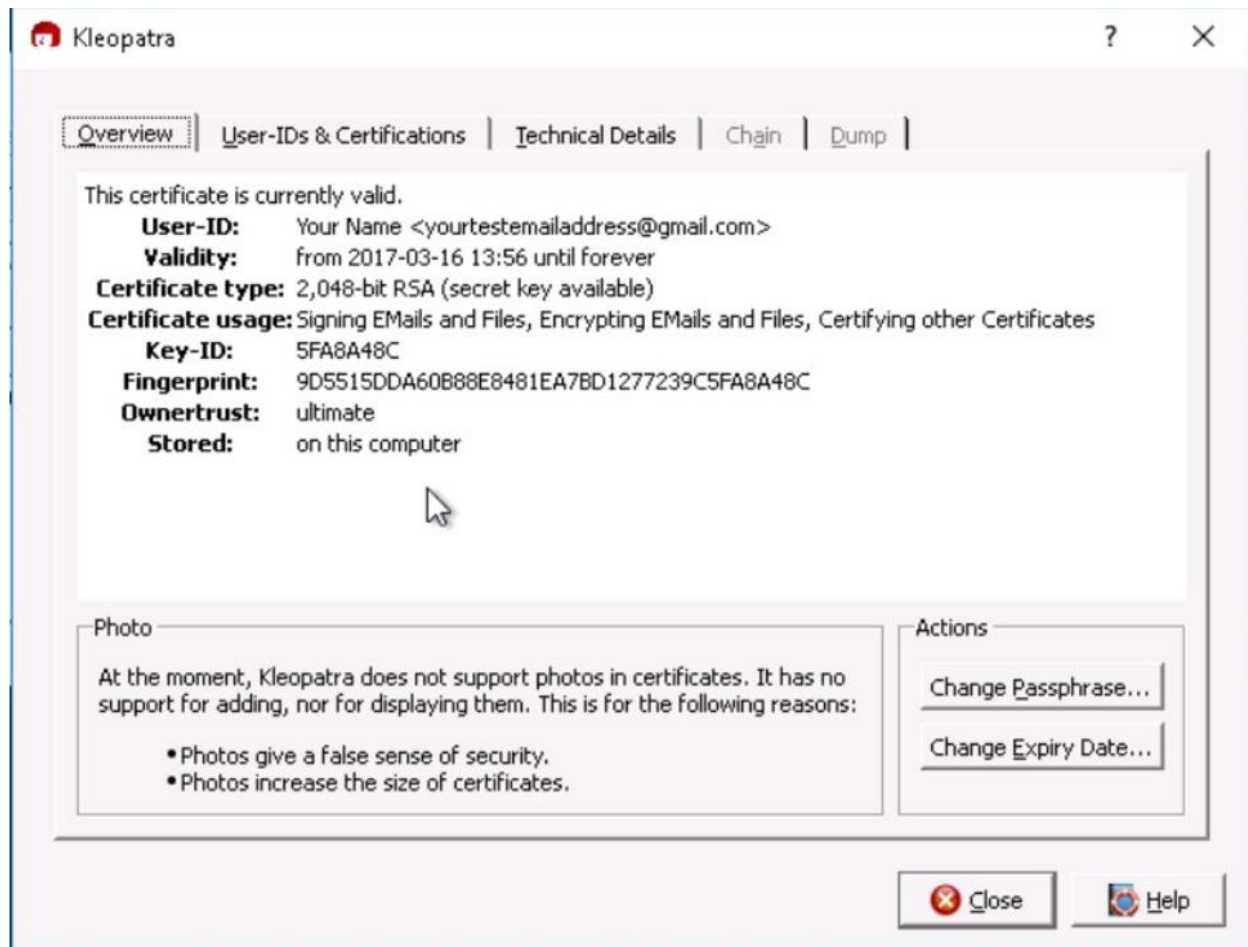
22. **Click OK** to save a copy of your private key and close the Export Secret Certificate dialog box.



[Figure 16 Successful secret certificate export message](#)

23. When prompted, **click OK** to acknowledge the export process is completed.
24. In the Kleopatra window, **double-click** the **certificate** you created to view all details related to the certificate:

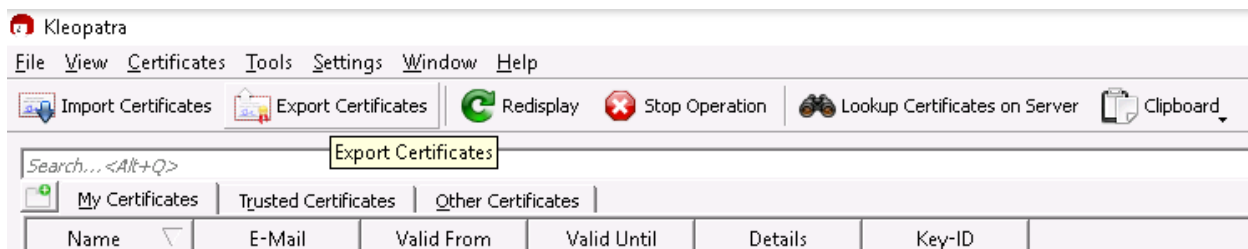
Note that the key/certificate type is RSA. Kleopatra uses both RSA (Rivest, Shamir, and Adelman encryption algorithm) and DSA (Digital Signature Algorithm) for encryption. Kleopatra uses RSA as the default encryption algorithm, but you could select DSA while you create a new certificate by clicking the Advanced Settings button on the Enter Details.



[Figure 17 Certificate details](#)

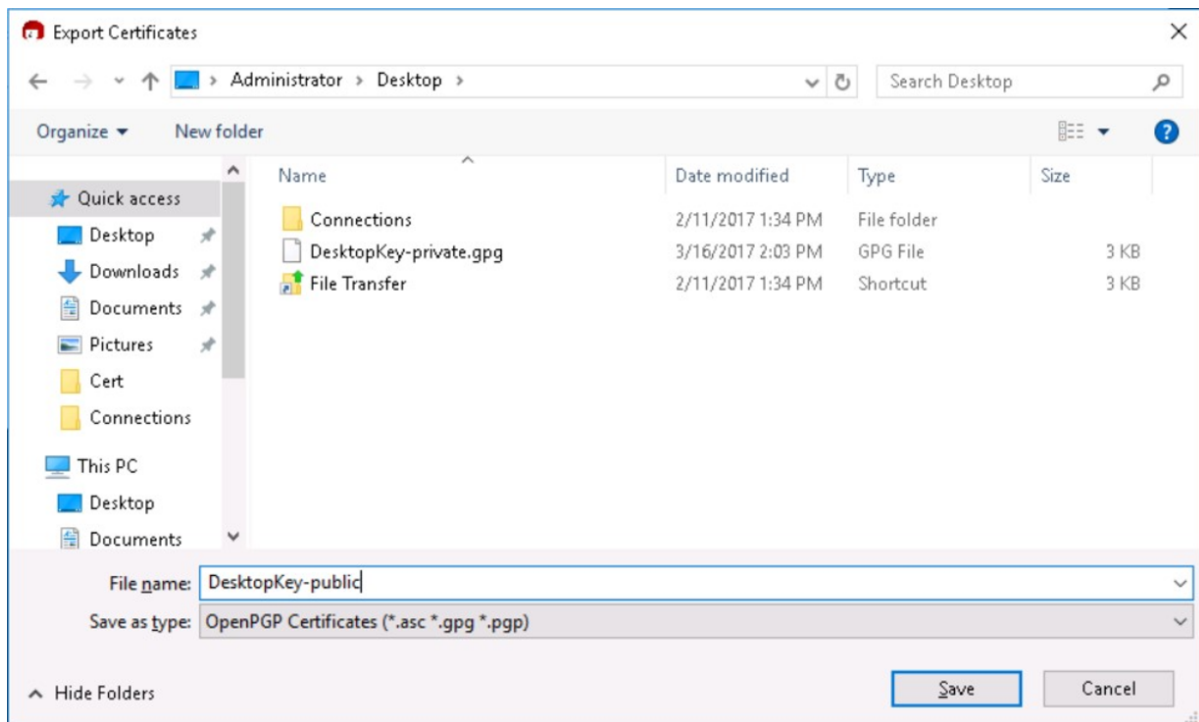
25. Click **Close** to close the dialog box.

26. With your certificate highlighted in the Kleopatra window, **click the Export Certificates button** in the application's toolbar to save a copy of your public key.



[Figure 18 Export Certificates button in the application's toolbar](#)

27. In the Export Certificates dialog box, **navigate** to the vWorkstation desktop (**This PC > Local Disk (C:) > Users > Administrator > Desktop**), type **DesktopKey-public** in the File Name box, and **click Save** to save the public key file to the Desktop.



[Figure 19 Export the public key](#)

28. **Minimize** the **Kleopatra** window.

Part 2: Create a Public and Private Key Pair for the Receiver

Note: In the next steps, you will use Kleopatra to create a pair of keys on the remote TargetWindows01 desktop. You will use this key later in this lab to encrypt a file.

1. **Double-click** the **Connections** folder on the desktop.
2. **Open a remote connection** to the **TargetWindows02** machine.

If prompted, **type** the following credentials and **click OK** to open the remote connection.

- Username: **Administrator**
- Password: **P@ssw0rd!**

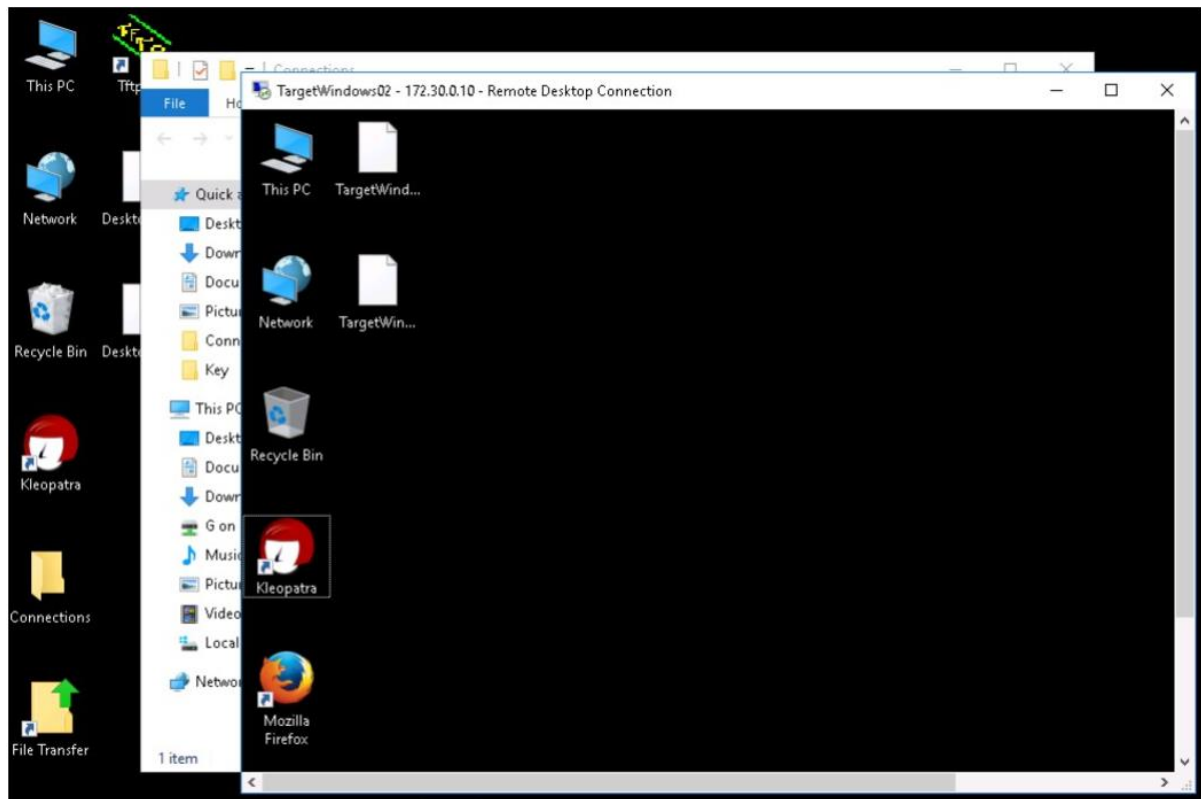
3. On the TargetWindows02 desktop, **double-click** the **Kleopatra icon** to open the Kleopatra component of the GPG4Win application.
4. **Repeat Part 1, Steps 5-10** to create a personal OpenPGP key pair using the following information:
 - Name: **TargetWindows02**
 - Email: **TargetWindows02@vlabsolutions.com**
 - Pinentry Passphrase: **1Tsecurity!**
5. **Click Finish** to close the Certificate Creation Wizard.
6. **Repeat Part 1, Steps 19-23** to export the private key for this machine and save it to the TargetWindows02 desktop.

Output file: **C:/Users/Administrator/Desktop/TargetWindows02-private.gpg**
7. **Repeat Part 1, Steps 26-27** to export a copy of the public key and save to the TargetWindows02 desktop.
 - File name: **TargetWindows02-public.asc**
8. **Close the Kleopatra window.**

Part 3: Transfer and Import a Public Key from the Receiver

Note: In the next steps, you will transfer the TargetWindows02 public key to the vWorkstation desktop and import it into Kleopatra.

1. **Click the Restore Down/ Minimize button** on the TargetWindows02 title bar to reduce the Connections window and display both vWorkstation and TargetWindows02 desktops.

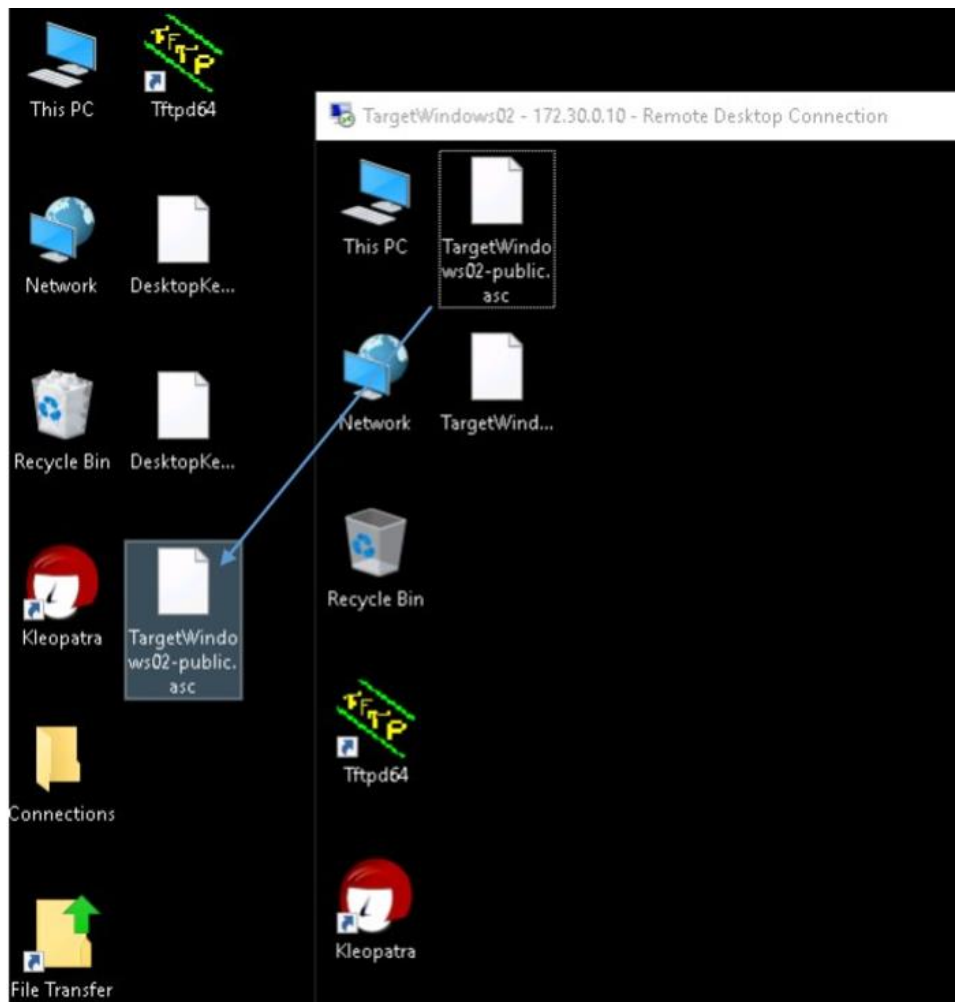


[Figure 20 Display both virtual machines](#)

2. On the vWorkstation, **close** the **Connections** folder.

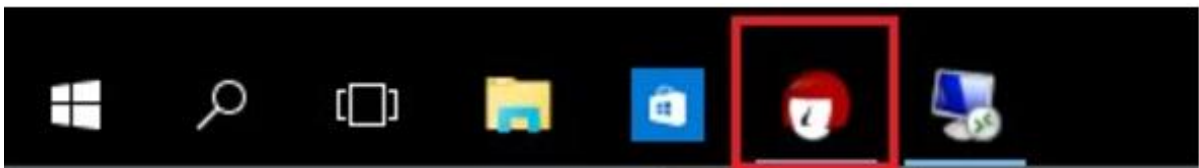
If necessary, **reposition** the **windows** so that the public and private keys for both machines are visible.

3. **Right-click** the **TargetWindows02-public.asc** file on the TargetWindows02 desktop and **copy** it to the Windows clipboard.
4. **Paste** the copied file to the vWorkstation desktop.



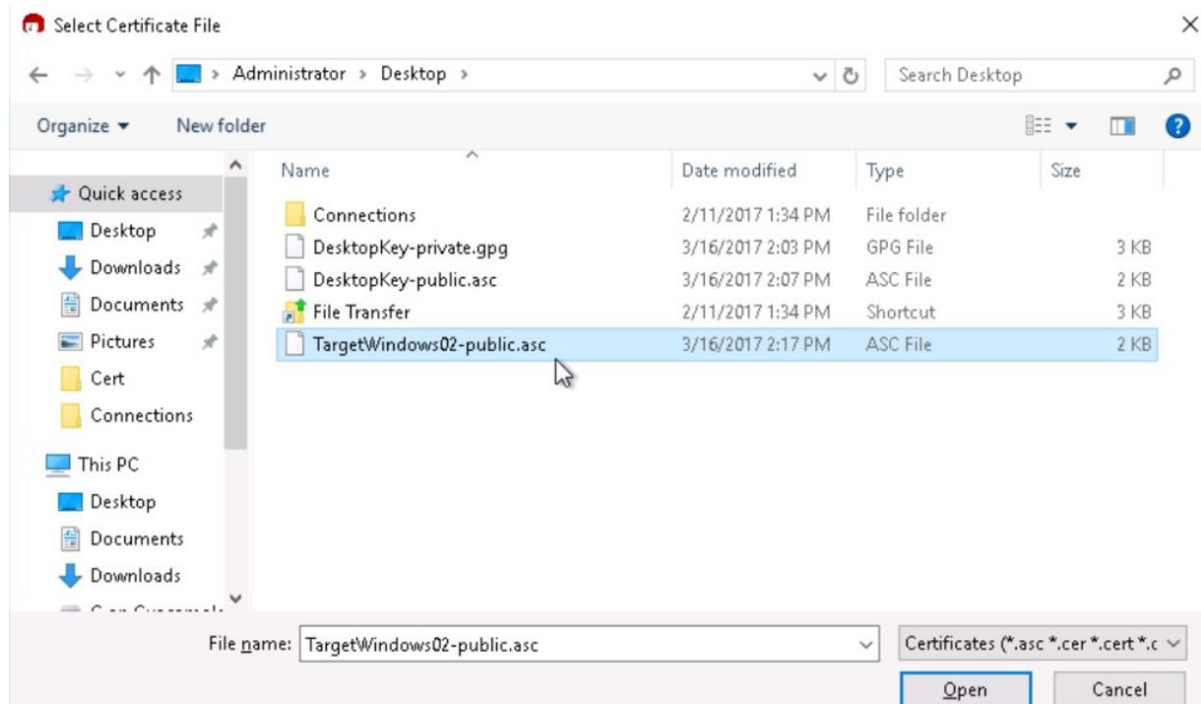
[Figure 21 Transfer the public key](#)

5. **Minimize the TargetWindows02 window.**
6. From the taskbar on the vWorkstation desktop, **click the Kleopatra icon** to re-open the application.



[Figure 22 Kleopatra icon](#)

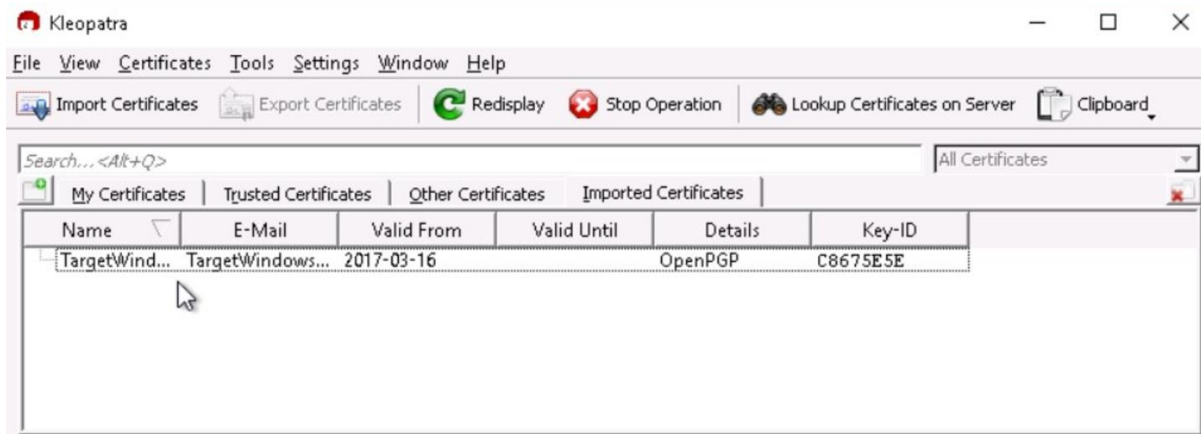
7. From the Kleopatra toolbar, **click the Import Certificates button.**
8. In the Select Certificate File dialog box, **navigate** to the Desktop **This PC > Local Disk (C:) > Users > Administrator > Desktop**), select the **TargetWindows02-public.asc** file, and **click Open** to import the file.



[Figure 23 Import the receiver's public file](#)

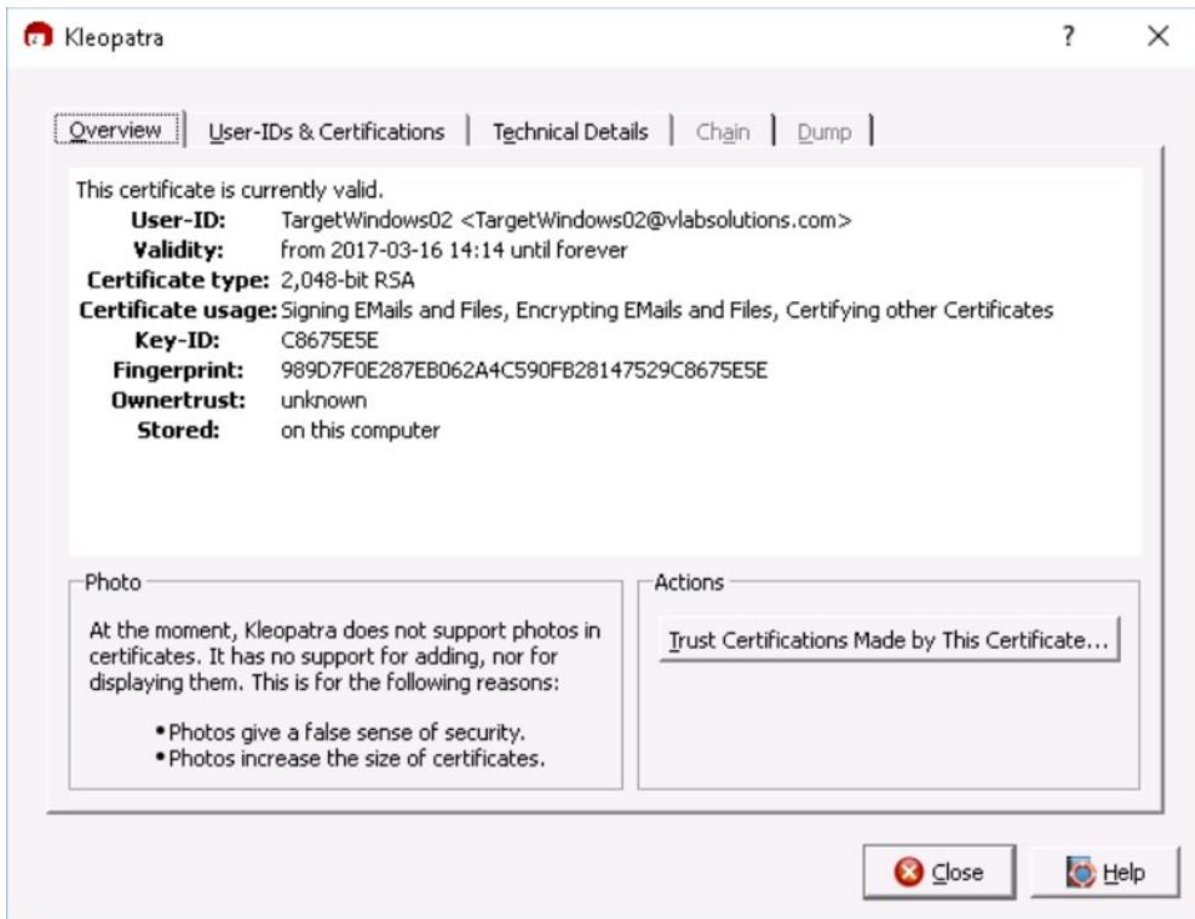
9. When prompted, **click OK** to close the dialog box.

The TargetWindows02-public.asc file is now listed as a new line item on the Imported Certificates tab of the Kleopatra application.



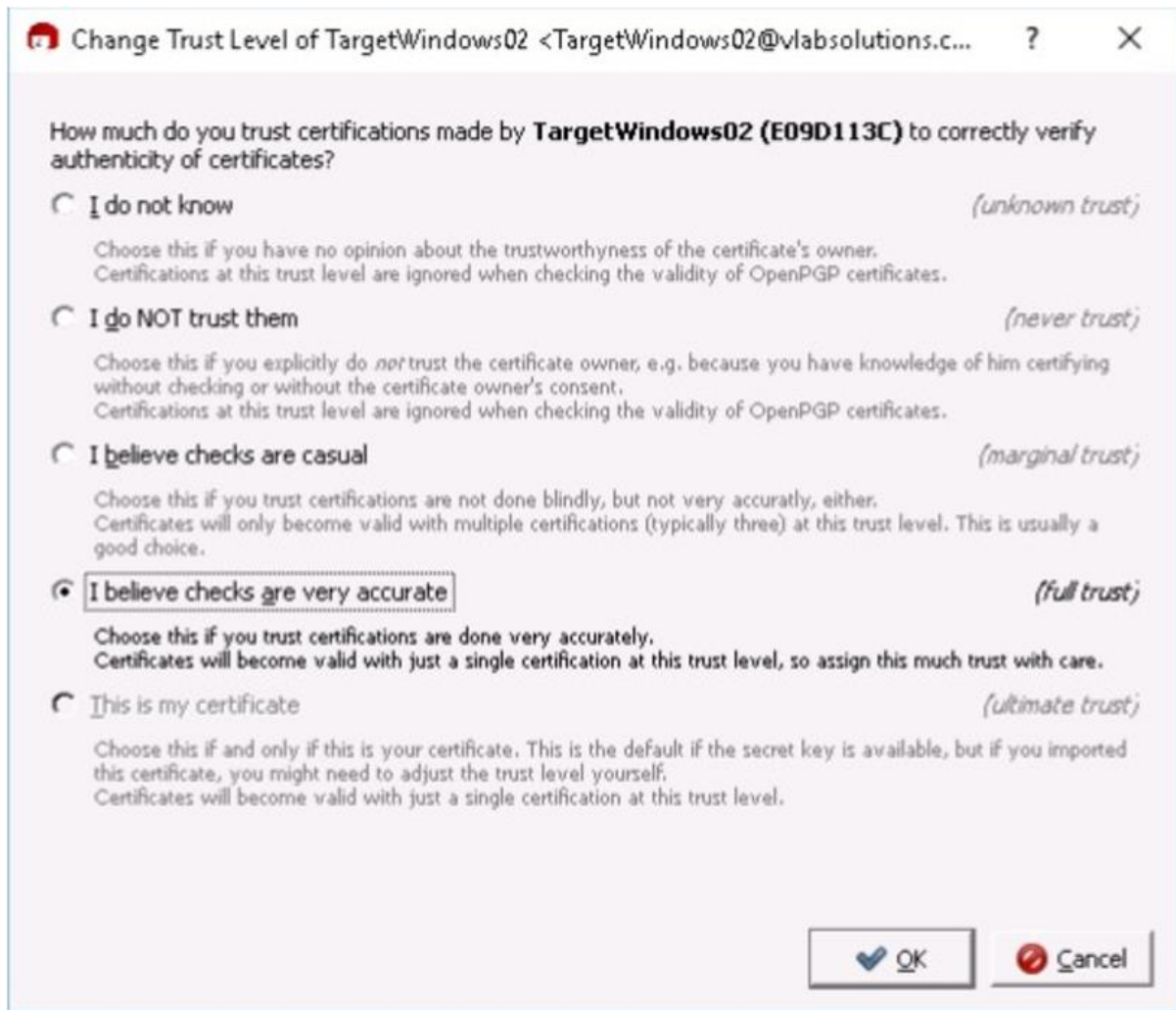
[Figure 24 Imported Certificates tab](#)

10. **Double-click** the **TargetWindows02** certificate in Kleopatra to open the Certificate Details dialog box.



[Figure 25 Trust Certificates button](#)

11. Click the **Trust Certificates made by this Certificate** button in the Actions section of the dialog box.
12. In the Change Trust Level dialog box, select the **I believe checks are very accurate** radio button.



[Figure 26 Confirm trust level](#)

13. **Click OK** to close the dialog box.
14. **Click OK** when the process is complete.
15. **Click the Close button** to close the Certificate Details dialog box.

Part 4: Encrypt and Decrypt a File from the Sender

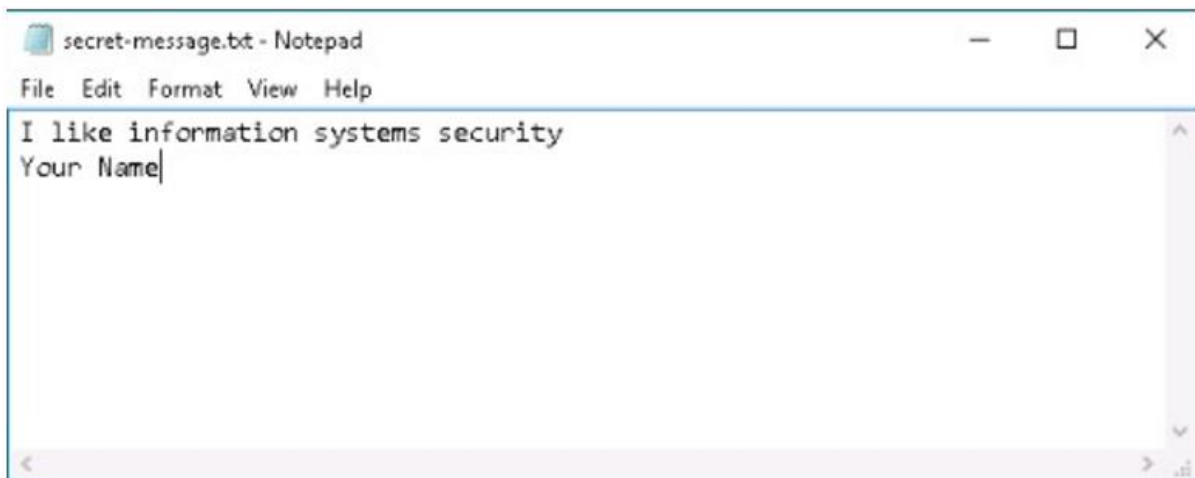
Note: In the next steps, you will create a file on the vWorkstation and encrypt it using the keys created earlier in this lab. You also will transfer the file to the TargetWindows02 desktop (the receiver) and decrypt it.

1. On the vWorkstation desktop, **right-click** any **empty space** and **select New > Text Document** from the context menu.



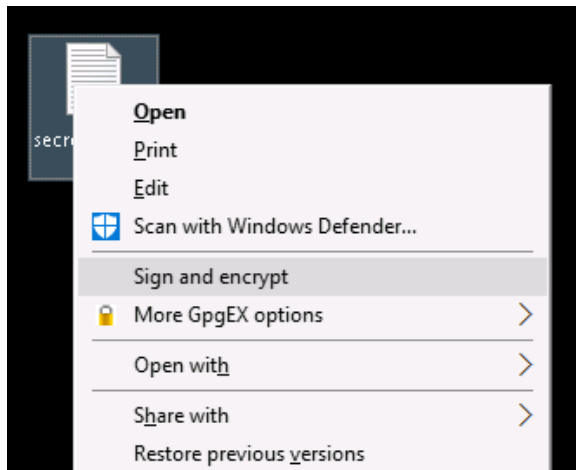
[Figure 27 Create a new text document](#)

2. With *New Text Document* highlighted, **type secret-message** and **press Enter** to name the new file.
3. **Double-click** the **secret-message.txt** icon to open the file in the text editor.
4. In the Notepad window, **type I like information systems security**, **press Enter**, and **type Your Name**, where Your Name is your own name.



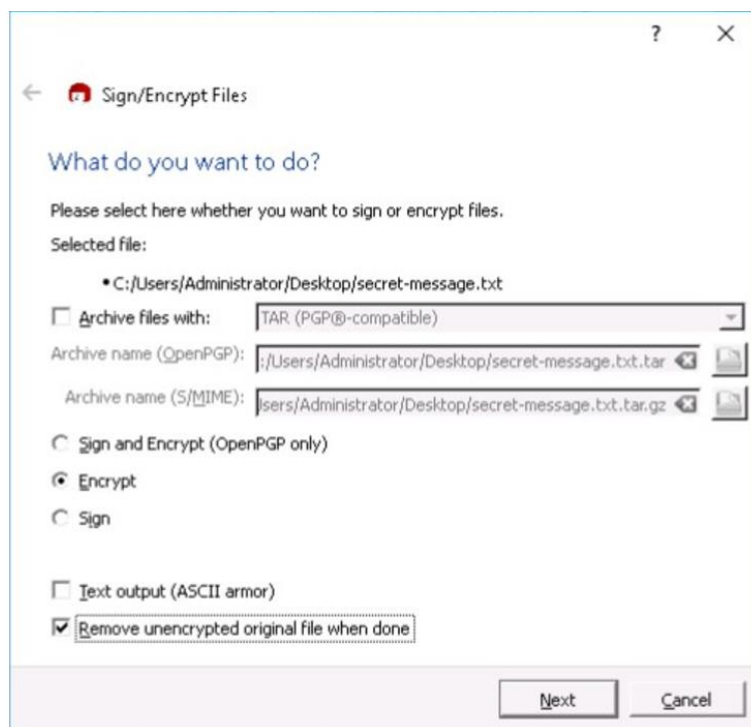
[Figure 28 Create secret-message.txt](#)

5. From the Notepad menu, **click File > Exit**, and **click Save** when prompted to save the file and close Notepad.
6. On the vWorkstation desktop, **right-click** the **secret-message.txt** file and **select Sign and Encrypt** from the context menu.



[Figure 29 Sign and encrypt option](#)

7. In the Sign/Encrypt Files dialog box, **click** the **Remove unencrypted original file when done** checkbox and **click Next** to continue.



[Figure 30 Replace the unencrypted file](#)

8. In the Sign/Encrypt dialog box, **click** both the **TargetWindows02** certificate and the **personal** certificate that you created in Part 1 of this lab, and then **click** the **Add button**.

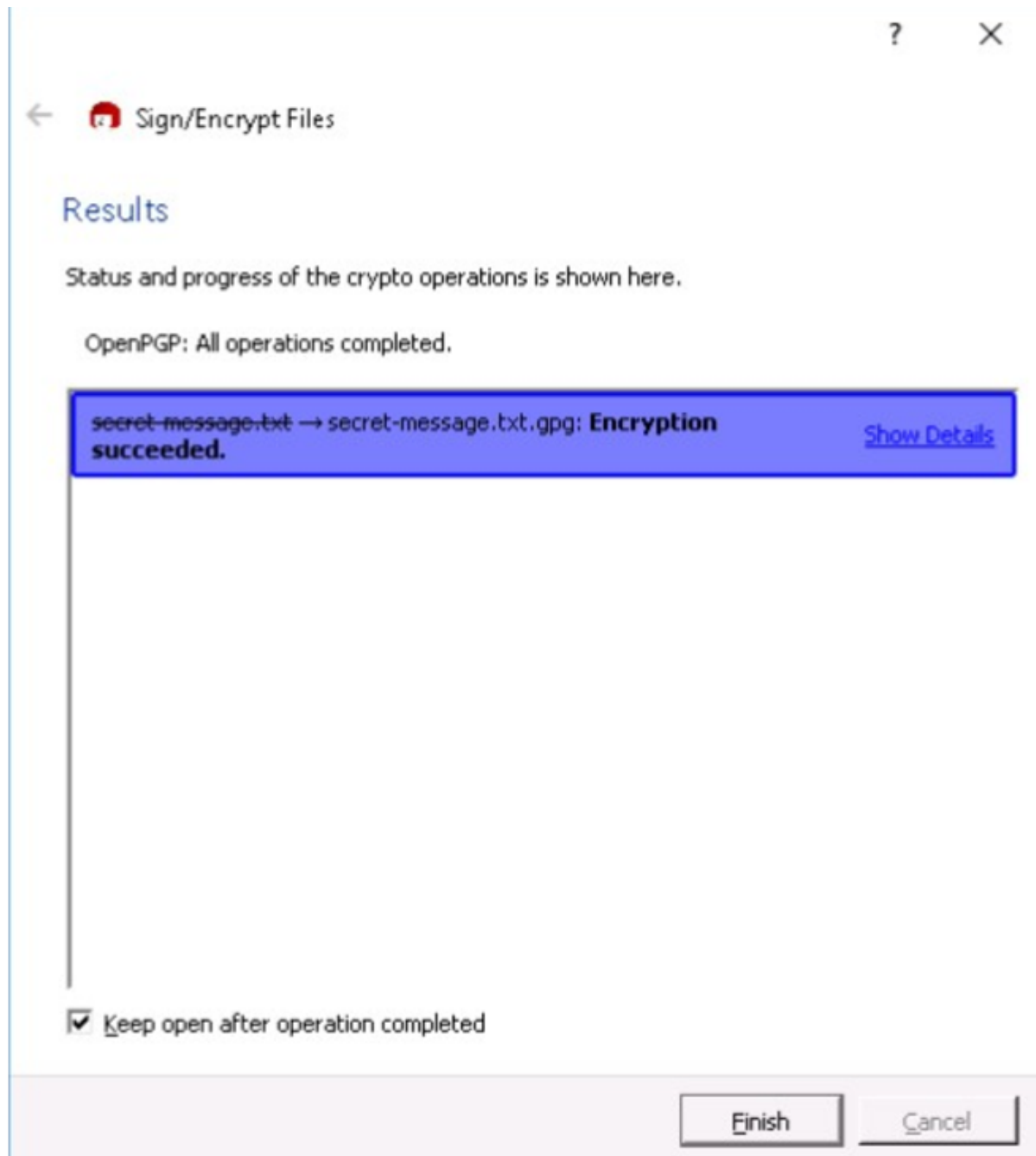
Selecting both certificates will tell Kleopatra to use the TargetWindows02 (receiver's) public key and your (sender's) private key to encrypt the message. Adding both keys will allow both the sender and the receiver to decrypt the file.



[Figure 31 Add sender's and receiver's certificates](#)

9. **Click** the **Encrypt button** to continue.

When the secret-message.txt is successfully encrypted, Kleopatra will delete the original file and replace it with an encrypted (.gpg) file: **secret-messsage.txt.gpg**.



[Figure 32 Successful encryption](#)

10. Click **Finish**.

11. Close the **Kleopatra** window.

Note: In the next steps, you will upload the encrypted secret-message.txt.gpg file from the vWorkstation to TargetWindows02.

12. On the vWorkstation desktop, **right-click** the **secret-message.txt.gpg** file and **select Copy** from the shortcut menu.

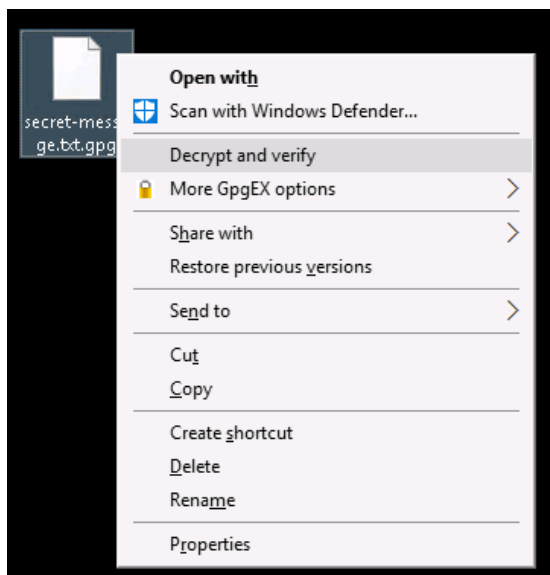
13. **Restore** the **TargetWindows02** connection.

14. **Paste** the copied file to the TargetWindows02 desktop.

Note: In the next steps, you will decrypt the file you just transferred. You can verify that integrity of encrypted files is maintained during transmission by comparing the decrypted file's contents with the file you created earlier in the lab. You will then make a screen capture of the successful file decryption for use as a deliverable in this lab.

15. **Maximize** the **TargetWindows02** window.

16. On the TargetWindows02 desktop, **right-click** the **secret-message.txt.gpg** file and **select Decrypt and verify** from the context menu.



[Figure 33 Decrypt and verify](#)

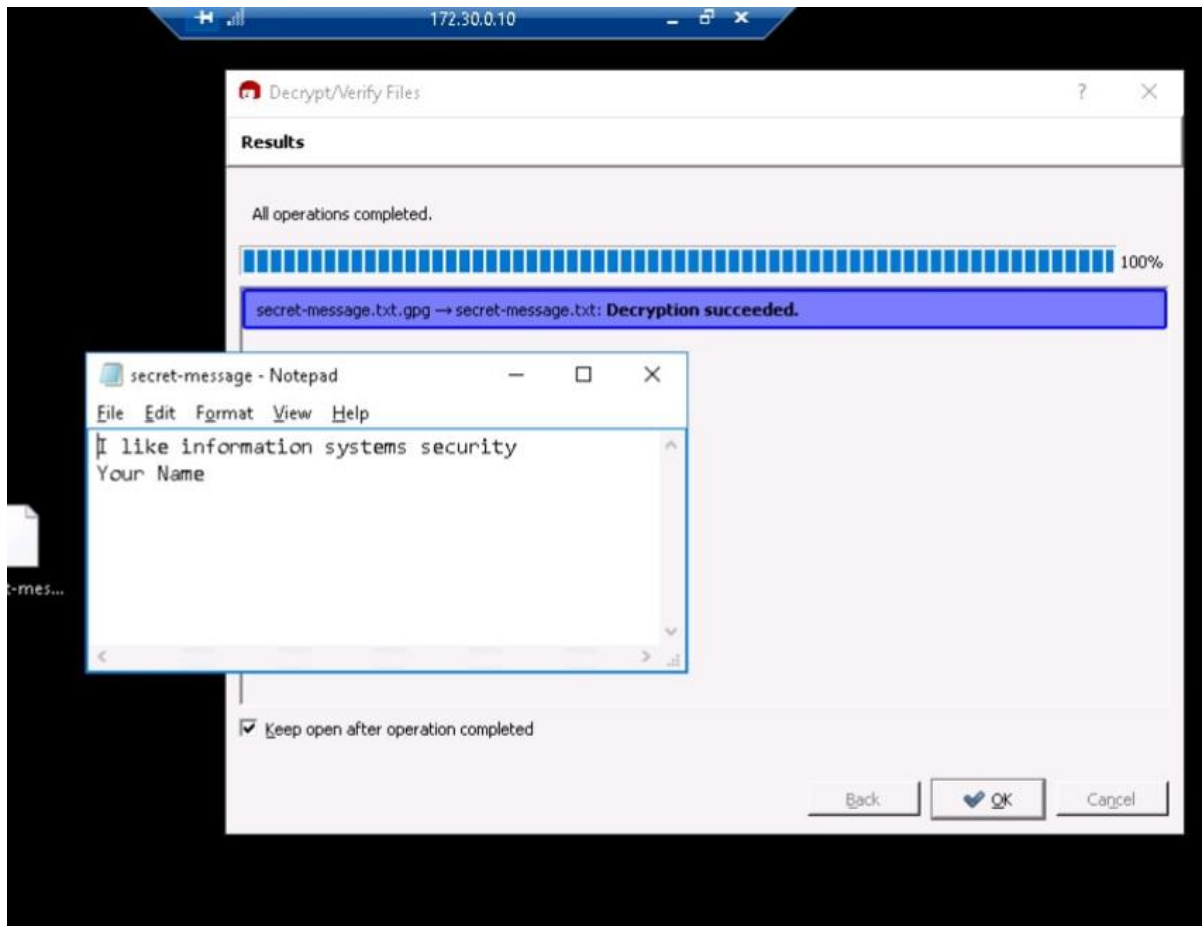
17. **Click** the **Decrypt/Verify** button at the bottom of the Decrypt/Verify Files dialog box.

18. When prompted, **type 1Tsecurity!** (the passphrase you used when you created the encryption file) and **click OK**.

Do not close the dialog box.

19. **Reposition** the **Decrypt/Verify Files** dialog box so that both the original encrypted file and the new secret-message.txt file are visible.

20. **Double-click** the newly decrypted **secret-message.txt** to open the file in Notepad.
21. **Reposition** the **open windows** so that the Decrypt/Verify Results window and the decrypted secret-message.txt file in Notepad are visible.



[Figure 34 Decrypted message](#)

22. **Make a screen capture** showing the **Kleopatra decryption results window**, the **secret-message.txt file in Notepad**, and the **TargetWindows02 title bar**, and **paste it into the Lab Report**.
23. **Close any open windows**.
24. **Close the remote TargetWindows02 connection**.

Note: This completes Section 1 of this lab. In the next steps, you will use the File Transfer folder to move any files from the vWorkstation to your local system that are to be submitted as part of your lab deliverables. Refer to the instructions in the Common Lab Tasks document for more information on how to use this function.

25. On the vWorkstation desktop, **drag and drop** the following files into the File Transfer folder to complete the download to your local computer.

- **secret-message.txt.gpg**

Part 5: Challenge Question

1. What is the difference and tradeoffs between X.509 and PGP certificate types? (Discuss them in 200 words.)