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# 1 Introduction

## 1.1 Glossary

**SCEP** - SCEP (Simple Certificate Enrollment Protocol) enables automated certificate management by allowing devices to securely request and retrieve certificates from a CA using HTTP-based communication.

**Quantum-Safe OpenSSL Provider** - oqsprovider is an open source OpenSSL provider developed as part of the Open Quantum Safe project. It integrates post quantum cryptographic algorithms into OpenSSL 3.x, enabling applications to generate and use quantum safe keys and operations seamlessly. This provider offers implementations of various

**MQTTs Broker** - An MQTTs broker is a server that routes messages between clients using a publish/subscribe model and TLS Certificate authentication and encapsulation method.

**EST Enrollment method** - EST enrollment technology automates certificate issuance by allowing devices to submit CSRs and receive signed certificates over secure channels.

**CRL** - (Certificate Revocation List) is a mechanism for maintaining and distributing a list of digital certificates that have been revoked by a Certificate Authority, ensuring that clients can verify certificate validity.

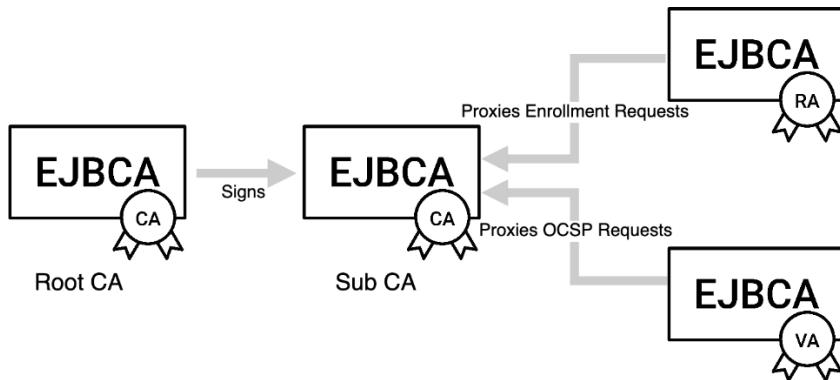
**Certificate Revoking** - Certificate revoking is the process of invalidating a digital certificate before its expiration, ensuring it can no longer be trusted.

**OCSP** - A real-time certificate status checking protocol that allows clients to verify whether a digital certificate has been revoked, without downloading the full CRL. OCSP improves performance and bandwidth usage compared to traditional revocation lists.

## 1.2 PKI Concept

Certification Authority (CA) part of Public Key Infrastructure (PKI) according to standards such as X.509 and IETF-PKIX

### PKI Architecture



From : <https://docs.keyfactor.com/ejbcache/9.0/ejbcache-concepts>

## Root CA

A RootCA has a self-signed certificate and is also called Trusted Root. Verification of other certificates in the PKI ends with the RootCAs self-signed certificate. Since the RootCAs certificate is self-signed it must somehow be configured as a trusted root for all clients in the PKI.

## Sub CA

A subordinate CA, or SubCA for short, is a CA whose certificate is signed by another CA, which can be another SubCA or a RootCA. Since the SubCAs certificate is signed by another CA, it does not have to be configured as a trusted root. It is part of a certificate chain that ends in the RootCA.

## Registration Authority (RA)

A Registration Authority (RA) is an administrative function that registers entities in the PKI. The RA is trusted to identify and authenticate entities according to the CAs policy. There can be one or more RAs connected to each CA in the PKI.

## Validation Authority (VA)

A Validation Authority (VA) is responsible for providing information on whether a certificate is currently valid or not. The VA does not issue or revoke certificates, but it validates certificates by providing a list of revoked certificates for a CA, known as a Certificate Revocation List (CRL). Another method that the VA can support is the Online Certificate Status Protocol (OCSP). It is a real-time lookup of a certificate status, compared to the CRL which is generated on a set schedule. The VA can respond to OCSP requests and reply if a certificate is good, revoked, or unknown. There can be one or more VAs connected to each CA in the PKI.



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## 1.3 Overview

This certificate management system offers an intuitive UI and endpoints to submit CSRs and manage certificates—allowing users to view, download, revoke, and delete them. It also provides access to CA chains, CRLs, and certificate statuses, while supporting advanced protocols like SCEP, EST, and OCSP for comprehensive lifecycle management.

## Features

The platform supports the following features either UI or API methods

CA General	Download CA Chain	curl -k <a href="https://pikachu-ca.iot-rad.com:5443/downloads/chain">https://pikachu-ca.iot-rad.com:5443/downloads/chain</a>	Returns full CA chain file
	Download CRL	curl -k <a href="https://pikachu-ca.iot-rad.com:4443/downloads/crl">https://pikachu-ca.iot-rad.com:4443/downloads/crl</a>	Generates and downloads latest Certificate Revocation List
	Certificate Status	curl -k <a href="https://pikachu-ca.iot-rad.com:4443/status/0xc75f573d9cb2b581">https://pikachu-ca.iot-rad.com:4443/status/0xc75f573d9cb2b581</a>	Returns status as valid, revoked, or not found in JSON
	Expired Certificates	curl -k <a href="https://pikachu-ca.iot-rad.com:5443/expired">https://pikachu-ca.iot-rad.com:5443/expired</a>	Returns list of certificate IDs that are expired
	Download CSR	curl -k <a href="https://pikachu-ca.iot-rad.com:5443//requests/1/download">https://pikachu-ca.iot-rad.com:5443//requests/1/download</a>	Serves saved CSR if available
SCEP	SCEP CRL	sscep getcrl -d -u <a href="http://pikachu-ca.iot-rad.com:8090/scep">http://pikachu-ca.iot-rad.com:8090/scep</a> -c ca_rsa.crt -w crl.pem -l local.crt -k local.key	
	SCEP Enrolment	sscep enroll -d -v -u <a href="http://pikachu-ca.iot-rad.com:8090/scep">http://pikachu-ca.iot-rad.com:8090/scep</a> -c rad_ca_sub_rsa.crt -k client1.key -r client1.csr -l client1.crt	
	SCEP CA Certs	sscep getcap -d -u <a href="http://pikachu-ca.iot-rad.com:8090/scep">http://pikachu-ca.iot-rad.com:8090/scep</a> -c cap.pem	

EST	EST Enrollment	curl -k -X POST --data-binary @etx.csr.der <a href="https://openxpki.iot-rad.com:4443/.well-known/est/simpleenroll">https://openxpki.iot-rad.com:4443/.well-known/est/simpleenroll</a> -H "Content-Type: application/pkcs10" --output etx.crt.p7	Accepts DER CSR and returns signed certificate in PKCS#7
	EST CA Certs	curl -k <a href="https://pikachu-ca.iot-rad.com:4443/.well-known/est/cacerts">https://pikachu-ca.iot-rad.com:4443/.well-known/est/cacerts</a> --output chain.crt	Returns CA chain in PKCS#7 format
OCSP	OCSP Responder	openssl ocsp -reqout ocsp_request.der -issuer rad_ca_sub.crt -cert valid.crt -url <a href="https://pikachu-ca.iot-rad.com:4443/ocsp">https://pikachu-ca.iot-rad.com:4443/ocsp</a> -resp_text -resout ocsp_response.der	Returns OCSP status for a given certificate in DER format
CA General	Download CA Chain	curl -k <a href="https://pikachu-ca.iot-rad.com:5443/downloads/chain">https://pikachu-ca.iot-rad.com:5443/downloads/chain</a>	Returns full CA chain file
	Download CRL	curl -k <a href="https://pikachu-ca.iot-rad.com:4443/downloads/crl">https://pikachu-ca.iot-rad.com:4443/downloads/crl</a>	Generates and downloads latest Certificate Revocation List
	Certificate Status	curl -k <a href="https://pikachu-ca.iot-rad.com:4443/status/0xc75f573d9cb2b581">https://pikachu-ca.iot-rad.com:4443/status/0xc75f573d9cb2b581</a>	Returns status as valid, revoked, or not found in JSON
	Expired Certificates	curl -k <a href="https://pikachu-ca.iot-rad.com:5443/expired">https://pikachu-ca.iot-rad.com:5443/expired</a>	Returns list of certificate IDs that are expired
	Download CSR	curl -k <a href="https://pikachu-ca.iot-rad.com:5443///requests/1/download">https://pikachu-ca.iot-rad.com:5443///requests/1/download</a>	Serves saved CSR if available

## Quantum safe keys

Quantum safe keys are encryption keys generated using algorithms that resist attempts by quantum computers, helping secure data against emerging quantum threats.

For instance,

- **mldsa44** – which corresponds to NIST Level 1 (Dilithium2)
- **mldsa65** – corresponding roughly to Dilithium3 (NIST Level 3)



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- **mldsa87** – corresponding roughly to Dilithium5 (NIST Level 5)

## 1.4 Purpose

The purpose of this platform is to provide a robust PKI solution that securely provisions and manages RAD devices and servers—such as those operating with MQTT—by seamlessly integrating with CA servers.

## 1.5 Scope

in non-production environments, with a strong emphasis on tenant isolation, robust security measures, and high availability.

## 2 PKI platform

The Lifecycle maintenance ansible playbook contains files and ansible playbooks. Once installed the user can perform the maintenance operations.

### 2.1 Server OS requirements

Operating System	Version
Rocky	9.x

### 2.2 Installation

#### Python

Install python 3 and complimentary packages

```
sudo dnf install -y epel-release
sudo dnf module enable -y python3.11
sudo dnf install -y python3.11 python3.11-devel python3.11-pip git

sudo dnf groupinstall -y "Development Tools"

sudo alternatives --install /usr/bin/python3 python3 /usr/bin/python3.11 100
sudo alternatives --install /usr/bin/pip3 pip3 /usr/bin/pip3.11 100

pip install flask cryptography oscrypto asn1crypto flask_sqlalchemy
```

allow python39 programs to use privileged ports (below 1024)



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```
sudo setcap 'cap_net_bind_service=+ep' /usr/bin/python3.11
```

## Server

Extract the pki\_server\_102.tar.gz

```
tar xvfz pki_server_102.tar.gz  
cd pki-server-2
```

it will open the following directories and files

```
└── mqtt
    ├── clients_certs
    ├── docker-compose.yml
    ├── mosquitto
    └── mosquitto.conf
└── pki-certs
    ├── ca.cert.pem
    ├── cert_3.pem
    ├── cert.csr
    └── crl_empty.pem
└── pki-ocsp
    ├── ca_00.pem
    ├── ca_02.pem
    ├── ca1.pem
    ├── ca.cert.pem
    ├── ca-intermediate.pem
    ├── cert_2.pem
    ├── cert_revoked.pem
    ├── ocsp.cert.pem
    ├── ocsp.csr
    ├── ocsp.key.pem
    ├── ocsp.py
    ├── ocsp_request.der
    └── ocsp_response.der
└── pki-root
    ├── ca_cert.pem
    ├── ca_cert.srl
    ├── ca_key.pem
    ├── rad_ca_root.crt
    └── root.cert.pem
└── pki-server-2
    ├── app.py
    ├── extensions.py
    ├── x509_keys.py
    ├── config.ini
    ├── x509_requests.py
    ├── x509_profiles.py
    ├── asn1.py
    ├── builders.py
    ├── config_storage.py
    ├── dbtypes.py
    ├── enums.py
    ├── envelope.py
    ├── message.py
    ├── models.py
    ├── scep.py
    ├── models.py
    └── ca_mode.conf
```

```
|   ├── server_ext.cnf
|   ├── certs.db
|   ├── history
|   ├── output.log
|   ├── x509_profiles
|   ├── x509_templates
|   └── html_templates
├── pki-subca
|   ├── rad_ca_sub_ec.key
|   ├── rad_ca_sub_rsa.key
|   ├── rad_ca_sub_ec.crt
|   ├── rad_ca_sub_rsa.crt
|   ├── rad_chain_rsa.crt
|   └── rad_chain_ec.crt
```

## Complementary

Following installation of commands and libraries essential for testing and using the server

### **SSCEP**

Rocky 9 lack OS repository installation there for it needed to be complied, linked and installed

```
git clone https://github.com/zhaozg/openscep.git
cd openscep
chmod u+x configure
./configure

make

sudo make install
```

Note : If missing libraries install using the OS dnf

### **EST-Client**



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From repo <https://github.com/globalsign/est>

```
sudo dnf install -y golang
git clone https://github.com/globalsign/est.git
go install github.com/globalsign/est/cmd/estclient@latest
sudo cp go/bin/estclient /usr/local/bin/estclient
```

### **Quantum Safe Algorithm**

Quantum safe algorithms successful installation requires openssl 3.x and other development packages

Prerequisite installation of Ninja

```
sudo dnf config-manager --set-enabled crb
sudo dnf install -y epel-release
sudo dnf install -y ninja-build

sudo dnf groupinstall -y "Development Tools"
sudo dnf install -y cmake ninja-build git openssl-devel libffi-devel
```

install quantum resistant algorithms (like Dilithium, Falcon, Kyber, and SPHINCS+)

```
git clone https://github.com/open-quantum-safe/oqs-provider.git
cd oqs-provider
./scripts/fullbuild.sh
sudo cmake --install _build
```

find the openssl.cnf file and add it manually

```
ls -l /etc/ssl/openssl.cnf
lrwxrwxrwx. 1 root root 24 Aug 21 2024 /etc/ssl/openssl.cnf ->
/etc/pki/tls/openssl.cnf

# add the new provider

sudo vi /etc/pki/tls/openssl.cnf

[provider_sect]
default = default_sect
oqsprovider = oqsprovider_sect
[default_sect]
activate = 1
[oqsprovider_sect]
activate = 1
```

test the openssl

```
#run command
openssl list -providers
#output
Providers:
  default
    name: OpenSSL Default Provider
    version: 3.2.2
    status: active
  oqsprovider
```

```
name: OpenSSL OQS Provider
version: 0.8.1-dev
status: active
```

we can see that oqsprovider provider is active

### **MQTTs broker**

Using distribution mosquitto with docker compose

```
mkdir mqtt
cd mqtt

cat > docker-compose.yml <<EOL

version: '3'
services:
  mosquitto:
    image: eclipse-mosquitto:latest
    container_name: mosquitto
    network_mode: "host" # Use host network mode
    ports:
      - "1883:1883"      # Default MQTT
      - "2883:2883"      # Secure MQTT with TLS
      - "9001:9001"      # WebSocket (if needed)
    volumes:
      - ./mosquitto.conf:/mosquitto/config/mosquitto.conf
      - ./mosquitto/certs:/mosquitto/certs
    restart: unless-stopped
EOL
```

make configuration file

```
cat > mosquitto.conf <<EOL

per_listener_settings true

listener 1883 0.0.0.0
allow_anonymous true
log_type all

listener 2883 0.0.0.0
cafile /mosquitto/certs/CA.cert
certfile /mosquitto/certs/est_mqtt_server_1.pem
```



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```
keyfile /mosquitto/certs/est_mqtt_server_1.key  
crlfile /mosquitto/certs/crl.pem  
  
require_certificate true  
use_identity_as_username true  
log_type all  
EOL
```

populate certification directory

```
mkdir certs  
cd certs
```

with files

```
est_mqtt_server_1.pem  
est_mqtt_server_1.key  
crl_client_2.pem  
CA.cert
```

By executing the following command Server is up and running

```
cd pki-srever-2  
python app.py
```

all logs are written to the stdout and file output.log

## 2.3 Generate Root and intermediate certification

Every CA server is based on Root certificate and one or more intermediate (sub) certificates

Following procedure on how to generate a root and intermediate certificates for the CA server



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## Generate Root Certificate

Create root EC key

```
openssl ecparam -name prime256v1 -genkey -noout -out rad_ca_root.key
```

Prepare certificate configuration file

```
cat > rad_ca_root.cnf <<EOL
# CA Certificate Configuration Template for Root ECC Certificates
[ req ]
default_bits      = 4096
default_md        = sha256
prompt            = no
distinguished_name = dn
x509_extensions   = v3_ca

[ dn ]
C = IL
ST = TLV
L = Tel Aviv
O = RAD
OU = RD
CN = RAD Test ECDSA

[ v3_ca ]
subjectKeyIdentifier = hash
authorityKeyIdentifier = keyid:always,issuer
basicConstraints       = critical, CA:true, pathlen:1
EOL
```

Self-sign root certificate

```
openssl req -config rad_ca_root.cnf -key rad_ca_root.key -new -x509 -days
3650 -sha256 -out rad_ca_root.crt
```

Prepare signing server extension configuration file

```
cat > ca_root_ext.cnf <<EOL
[ v3_intermediate ]
subjectKeyIdentifier = hash
authorityKeyIdentifier = keyid,issuer
basicConstraints     = critical, CA:true, pathlen:0
keyUsage             = keyCertSign, cRLSign
crlDistributionPoints = URI:https://pikachu-ca.rnd-rad.com/downloads/crl
EOL
```



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## Generating Intermediate (Sub) Certificate

### *EC based Key Certificate*

Create sub key

```
openssl ecparam -name prime256v1 -genkey -noout -out rad_ca_sub_ec.key
```

Prepare certificate configuration file

```
cat > rad_ca_sub_ec.cnf<<EOL
[ req ]
default_bits      = 2048
default_md        = sha256
prompt            = no
distinguished_name = dn
req_extensions    = v3_intermediate
[ dn ]
C = IL
ST = TLV
L = Tel Aviv
O = RAD
OU = RD
CN = RADSubTestECDSA
[ v3_intermediate ]
subjectKeyIdentifier = hash
#authorityKeyIdentifier = keyid,issuer
basicConstraints     = critical, CA:true, pathlen:0
keyUsage             = keyCertSign, cRLSign
EOL
```

Generate Certificate request

```
openssl req -new -config rad_ca_sub_ec.cnf -key rad_ca_sub_ec.key -out
rad_ca_sub_ec.csr
```

Sign certificate

```
openssl x509 -req -in rad_ca_sub_ec.csr -CA rad_ca_root.crt -CAkey
rad_ca_root.key -CAcreateserial -out rad_ca_sub_ec.crt -days 3650 -sha256 -
extfile ca_root_ext.cnf -extensions v3_intermediate
```



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### RSA based Key Certificate

Create sub key

```
openssl genpkey -algorithm RSA -out rad_ca_sub_rsa.key -pkeyopt  
rsa_keygen_bits:4096
```

Prepare certificate configuration file

```
cat > rad_ca_sub_ec.cnf<<EOL  
[ req ]  
default_bits      = 4096  
default_md        = sha256  
prompt           = no  
distinguished_name = dn  
req_extensions    = v3_intermediate  
[ dn ]  
C = IL  
ST = TLV  
L = Tel Aviv  
O = RAD  
OU = RD  
CN = RADSubTestECDSA  
[ v3_intermediate ]  
subjectKeyIdentifier = hash  
#authorityKeyIdentifier = keyid,issuer  
basicConstraints     = critical, CA:true, pathlen:0  
keyUsage            = keyCertSign, cRLSign  
EOL
```

Generate certificate request

```
openssl req -new -config rad_ca_sub_rsa.cnf -key rad_ca_sub_rsa.key -out  
rad_ca_sub_rsa.csr
```

Sign certificate

```
openssl x509 -req -in rad_ca_sub_rsa.csr -CA rad_ca_root.crt -CAkey  
rad_ca_root.key -CAcreateserial -out rad_ca_sub_rsa.crt -days 3650 -sha256 -  
extfile ca_root_ext.cnf -extensions v3_intermediate
```



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### ***Copy keys Certificates***

The Certificates and Keys must be located according to the attributes in the CA server configuration file (config.ini)

```
cp rad_ca_root.key rad_ca_root.crt ~/pki-root/
cp rad_ca_sub_ec.crt
rad_ca_sub_rsa.crt rad_ca_sub_ec.key rad_ca_sub_rsa.key ~/pki-subca
cat ~/pki-subca/rad_ca_sub_ec.crt ~/pki-root/rad_ca_root.crt > ~/pki-
subca/rad_chain_ec.crt
cat ~/pki-subca/rad_ca_sub_rsa.crt ~/pki-root/rad_ca_root.crt > ~/pki-
subca/rad_chain_rsa.crt
```

## 2.4 Configuration

The server is configured by config.ini file

```
[DEFAULT]
# general Flask settings
SECRET_KEY = your-super-secret

[CA]
# Which subordinate CA to use by default: "EC" or "RSA"
mode = EC
# Paths for both modes; the get_ca_config() helper below will pick the right
SUBCA_KEY_PATH_EC  = /home/rocky/pki-subca/rad_ca_sub_ec.key
SUBCA_CERT_PATH_EC = /home/rocky/pki-subca/rad_ca_sub_ec.crt
CHAIN_FILE_PATH_EC = /home/rocky/pki-subca/rad_chain_ec.crt
SUBCA_KEY_PATH_RSA = /home/rocky/pki-subca/rad_ca_sub_rsa.key
SUBCA_CERT_PATH_RSA = /home/rocky/pki-subca/rad_ca_sub_rsa.crt
CHAIN_FILE_PATH_RSA = /home/rocky/pki-subca/rad_chain_rsa.crt
ROOT_CERT_PATH    = /home/rocky/pki-root/rad_ca_root.crt

[SCEP]
# enable or disable SCEP entirely
enabled = true

# optional path to a file where we persist the serial across restarts
serial_file = /home/rocky/pki-subca/serial.txt

# Dump directory for raw SCEP requests (optional)
dump_dir = /home/rocky/pki-subca/dumps

# HTTP port for unauthenticated SCEP
http_port = 8090

[HTTPS]
# HTTPS certificate & key for your main CA UI
ssl_cert = /home/rocky/pki-https/tls.cert.pem
ssl_key = /home/rocky/pki-https/tls.key.pem
port   = 443

[TRUSTED_HTTPS]
# HTTPS certificate & key for your main CA UI
trusted_ssl_cert = /home/rocky/pki-https/pikachu_issued_https.crt
trusted_ssl_key = /home/rocky/pki-https/pikachu_issued_https.key
trusted_port   = 4443

[PATHS]
# everything else that was hard-coded
crl_path    = crl.pem
server_ext_cfg = server_ext.cnf
validity_conf = validity.conf
db_path     = certs.db
```

## 2.5 Run Server

By executing the following command Server is up and running

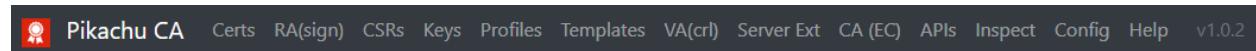
```
cd pki-srever-2  
nohup python app.py > app.log 2>&1 &
```

all logs are written to the stdout and file output.log

server can be access using the URL <https://pikachu-ca.iot-rad.com:4443>

## 2.6 Layout

Navigate Tiles



Certs - list certificates (Main view)

RA (sign) – Sign certificate

CSR Requests – create, delete, view and list certificates requests

Keys - create, delete, download view and list of keys

Profiles - create, edit, delete, view and list of profiles

Templates - Create Profile based on Templates

VA (crl) – list revoked certificates and updated CRL

Server Ext – view edit and load profile to Extension configuration

CA(mode) – show the root and sub/intermediate certificates details

APIs – list of all APIs download CRL, CA certificate. Enrolments techniques Manual, SCEP and EST, and RA OCSP.

Inspect – Inspect PEM block or Base64-encoded DER data

Config – show content of server config.ini file

Help – open new browser tab with help Pdf file

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## 2.7 Generate Key

At the main view under management Links select Keys

Redirected to view with list of Keys

### List of Keys

ID	Name	Type	Size/Curve/Algorithm	Created At	Actions
3	Quantum	PQC	mldsa44	2025-04-22 16:51	<button>View</button> <button>Download</button> <button>Delete</button>
2	Key1	RSA	4096 bits	2025-04-16 10:00	<button>View</button> <button>Download</button> <button>Delete</button>
1	key	EC	prime256v1	2025-04-15 16:37	<button>View</button> <button>Download</button> <button>Delete</button>

[Generate New Key](#)

<https://openxpki.iot-rad.com:4443/keys>

to generate new key press button Generate New Key

Redirected to Generate a New Key

### Generate a New Key

Key Name:

Key Type:

Key Size (for RSA):

[Generate Key](#)

Users can use either RSA, EC (elastic curve) and PQC (post-quantum) Key Type



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RSA contains key sizes 2048,3072 and 4096

EC has curves prime256v1(secp256r1), secp384r1, secp521r1 and secp256k1

PQC has algorithms mldsa44 (Dilithium2 / NIST L1), mldsa65 (Dilithium3 / NIST L3) and mldsa87 (Dilithium5 / NIST L5)

Add a key name and press button generate Key

The view will be redirected to List of Keys view

Press View at the key you wish to see details

https://pikachu-ca.iot-rad.com:4443/keys/1

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## Key Details (ID: 1)

**Name:** key

**Type:** EC

**Curve:** prime256v1

**Created At:** 2025-04-15 16:37

## Public Key

```
-----BEGIN PUBLIC KEY-----
MFkwEwYHKoZIzj0CAQYIKoZIzj0DAQcDQgAEB7YxnbXgqkNfWpORxCWr2RXEVN3z
tc/wL2f5H9fd130C4XMba1V070Mna9MxNIvuX5jLoiL/hWR0Z5jR7uQk+w==
-----END PUBLIC KEY-----
```

## Private Key

```
-----BEGIN EC PRIVATE KEY-----
MHcCAQEElFgMuETAaTxD2UdWBKxd54bXAsF0VaQBe3hNPSSpMq8ToAoGCCqGSM49
AwEHoUQDQgAEB7YxnbXgqkNfWpORxCWr2RXEVN3ztc/wL2f5H9fd130C4XMba1V0
70Mna9MxNIvuX5jLoiL/hWR0Z5jR7uQk+w==
-----END EC PRIVATE KEY-----
```

[Back to Keys List](#)

User can copy the Private and Public key data for any purpose

## 2.8 Templates and Profiles Management

The profile is used for various purposes

1. Certificate configuration to generate CSRs
2. CA server extension configuration to sing a CSR

The profile is rendered from template

### Templates

Templates added manually to the server under folder x509\_templates

Template is jinja j2 style template for example

```
# CA Certificate Configuration Template for Root ECC Certificates
[ req ]
# Note: For ECC keys the "default_bits" option is not used.
default_md      = sha256
default_days    = 3650
prompt          = no
distinguished_name = dn
x509_extensions = v3_ca
default_ec_curve = prime256v1

[ dn ]
C = {{ ca_country | default("FR") }}
ST = {{ ca_state | default("Ile-de-France") }}
L = {{ ca_city | default("Paris") }}
O = {{ ca_organization | default("6WIND") }}
OU = {{ ca_organizational_unit | default("CA Division") }}
CN = {{ ca_common_name | default("6WIND Test ECDSA RCA") }}

[ v3_ca ]
subjectKeyIdentifier = hash
authorityKeyIdentifier = keyid(always,issuer)
basicConstraints     = critical, CA:true, pathlen:0
keyUsage             = critical, digitalSignature, keyCertSign, cRLSign
```

At the main view under management Links select Templates

Redirected to view Select an X509 Template



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## X509 Certificate Templates

Choose a template:

[https://openxpki.iot-rad.com:4443/x509\\_templates/](https://openxpki.iot-rad.com:4443/x509_templates/)

Choose template and Load template by pressing Load Template button

The view will be redirected to Fill in Variables for Template

## Profiles

Change the defaults value to any you wish



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### Fill in Variables for Template: 6w\_ca\_root.cnf.j2

ca\_city:

Paris

ca\_common\_name:

6WIND Test ECDSA RCA

ca\_country:

FR

ca\_organization:

6WIND

ca\_organizational\_unit:

CA Division

ca\_state:

Ile-de-France

Profile File Name:

6w\_ca\_root.cnf

Profile Type:

**Render Profile**

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Press Render profile to create a profile

The view will be redirected to Profile File with generate profile details



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## Profile File: 6w\_ca\_root\_x.cnf

Originating Template: 6w\_ca\_root.cnf.j2

Profile Type: RAD DEVICE

```
# CA Certificate Configuration Template for Root ECC Certificates
[ req ]
default_bits      = 4096
default_md        = sha256
prompt            = no
distinguished_name = dn
x509_extensions   = v3_ca

[ dn ]
C    = FR
ST   = Ile-de-France
L    = Paris
O    = 6WIND
OU   = CA Division
CN   = 6WIND Test ECDSA RCA

[ v3_ca ]
subjectKeyIdentifier = hash
authorityKeyIdentifier = keyid:always,issuer
basicConstraints      = critical, CA:true, pathlen:0
```

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A file with the name that has been given created at folder x509\_profiles

Users can either press either the “Back to Template List” button or “View All Profiles Files” one

View List of Profile Files contains all profiles able to view, edit or delete

Not secure https://pikachu-ca.iot-rad.com:4443/profiles/

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## Profile Files

Profile File Name	Originating Template	Profile Type	Actions
6w_ca_root.cnf	6w_ca_root.cnf.j2	test	<a href="#">View</a> <a href="#">Edit</a> <a href="#">Delete</a>
6w_ca_root_x.cnf	6w_ca_root.cnf.j2	RAD DEVICE	<a href="#">View</a> <a href="#">Edit</a> <a href="#">Delete</a>
crl_ocsp_ext.cnf	crl_ocsp_ext.cnf.j2	SERVER_EXT	<a href="#">View</a> <a href="#">Edit</a> <a href="#">Delete</a>
root_ca_ecc.cnf	root_ca_ecc.cnf.j2	UZI_TESTS	<a href="#">View</a> <a href="#">Edit</a> <a href="#">Delete</a>
Yaron1.cnf	6w_ca_root_2.cnf.j2	Yaron's	<a href="#">View</a> <a href="#">Edit</a> <a href="#">Delete</a>

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<https://openxpki.iot-rad.com:4443/profiles/>

to edit profile, use the Edit Action

```
# Root CA Certificate Configuration Template for ECC Certificates
[ req ]
default_bits      = 4096
default_md       = sha256
prompt           = no
distinguished_name = dn
x509_extensions  = v3_ca

[ dn ]
C = DE
ST = Bayern
L = Munich
O = 6WIND
OU = Root CA Division
CN = UziGW1

[ v3_ca ]
subjectKeyIdentifier = hash
authorityKeyIdentifier = keyid:always.issuer
basicConstraints     = critical, CA:true, pathlen:0
```

## 2.9 Certificate actions

Once certificate has been signed and issued the user can perform the following actions

1. View
2. Download
3. Revoke
4. Delete

Note: Users can also view the Root and intermediate (Sub) Certificate

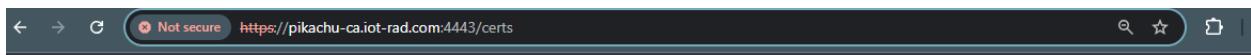
### List

All certificates are contained in the Issued Certificates Table



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## Pikachu CA (R&D Only)

### Issued Certificates

ID	Common Name	Serial	Key	Date (UTC)	Status	Actions
1	6WIND Test ECDSA RCA	0x782992631e521118	EC/prime256v1	2025-04-21 10:38	Revoked	<a href="#">View</a> <a href="#">Download</a> <a href="#">Revoked</a> <a href="#">Delete</a>
4	6WIND Test ECDSA RCA	0x969a4cf609260c4	PQC/mldsa44	2025-04-22 16:52	Valid	<a href="#">View</a> <a href="#">Download</a> <a href="#">Revoke</a> <a href="#">Delete</a>
5	6WIND Test ECDSA RCA	0x22efe570007a5f09	PQC/mldsa87	2025-04-23 11:59	Valid	<a href="#">View</a> <a href="#">Download</a> <a href="#">Revoke</a> <a href="#">Delete</a>
6	6WIND Test ECDSA RCA	0x72c21e33235f795b	EC/prime256v1	2025-04-23 12:00	Revoked	<a href="#">View</a> <a href="#">Download</a> <a href="#">Revoked</a> <a href="#">Delete</a>
7	6WIND Test ECDSA RCA	0x70da0e731d462c86	PQC/mldsa87	2025-04-23 12:40	Expired	<a href="#">View</a> <a href="#">Download</a> <a href="#">Revoke</a> <a href="#">Delete</a>
8	6WIND Test ECDSA RCA	0xa11663a49f698ed	RSA/2048	2025-04-23 16:02	Revoked	<a href="#">View</a> <a href="#">Download</a> <a href="#">Revoked</a> <a href="#">Delete</a>
11	6WIND Test ECDSA RCA	0x5487b4844afad48b	PQC/mldsa87	2025-04-26 15:38	Revoked	<a href="#">View</a> <a href="#">Download</a> <a href="#">Revoked</a> <a href="#">Delete</a>

The table can be filtered by either part of Common Name, Serial values, Key and Date

### View

Pressing the View Action open new page (pressing back to home return to the main view)

Change



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## Certificate Details

## Certificate Summary

<b>Public Key Algorithm:</b>	EC
<b>Public Key Parameters:</b>	secp256r1
<b>Subject:</b>	
<b>countryName:</b>	FR
<b>stateOrProvinceName:</b>	Ile-de-France
<b>localityName:</b>	Paris
<b>organizationName:</b>	6WIND
<b>organizationalUnitName:</b>	CA Division
<b>commonName:</b>	6WIND Test ECDSA RAA
<b>Issuer:</b>	
<b>countryName:</b>	IL
<b>stateOrProvinceName:</b>	TLV
<b>localityName:</b>	Tel Aviv
<b>organizationName:</b>	RAD
<b>organizationalUnitName:</b>	RD
<b>commonName:</b>	RADSubTest ECDSA
<b>Serial Number:</b>	0x782992631e521118
<b>Version:</b>	v3
<b>Not Valid Before:</b>	2025-04-21 10:38Z
<b>Not Valid After:</b>	2026-04-21 10:38Z
<b>Signature Algorithm:</b>	ecdsa-with-SHA256

## Detailed Certificate Text

**Certificate:**  
Data:  
    Version: 3 (0x2)  
    Serial Number: 8658612713004601624 (0x782992631e5f1118)  
    Signature Algorithm: ecdsa-with-SHA256  
    Issuer: C=IL, ST=TLV, L=Tel Aviv, O=RAD, OU=RD, CN=RADSubTest  
    Validity  
        Not Before: Apr 21 10:38:12 2025 GMT  
        Not After : Apr 21 10:38:12 2026 GMT  
    Subject: C=FR, ST=Ile-de-France, L=Paris, O=6WIND, OU=CA Division  
    Subject Public Key Info:  
        Public Key Algorithm: id-ecPublicKey  
            Public-Key: (256 bit)  
                Pub: b6:31:b5:dd:b5:ee:aa:43:f5:5a:93:91:c4:25:  
                    ab:d9:15:c4:54:dd:f3:b5:c8:f0:2f:67:f9:01:f7:  
                    c3:97:73:82:e1:73:1b:60:55:4e:ec:e3:27:6d:03:  
                    31:34:88:ee:f5:98:cb:3a:22:ff:85:64:74:67:98:  
                    31:3e:ea:24:fb  
        ASN.1 OID: prime256v1  
        NIST CURVE: P-256  
**X509v3 extensions:**  
    Authority Information Access:  
        OCSP - URI:https://piakucha-ca.iot-rad.com:4443/ocsp  
    X509v3 CRL Distribution Points:  
        Full Name:  
            URI:https://piakucha-ca.iot-rad.com:4443/downloads/  
    X509v3 Subject Key Identifier:  
        CE:85:34:7C:4E:9A:E5:B1:69:97:BC:5B:59:31:09:88:7D:  
    X509v3 Authority Key Identifier:  
        68:58:5E:1F:C1:E2:0B:81:CF:93:73:29:AD:3F:77:2F:63:  
Signature Algorithm: ecdsa-with-SHA256  
Signature Value:  
    30:44:02:20:15:17:62:14:43:89:52:82:69:02:2b:2b:01:e1:  
    08:5d:8b:25:8f:ad:a7:77:f1:c5:90:7b:74:44:65:19:e3:  
    02:20:4c:2b:c3:29:98:52:e3:6a:4c:7c:f8:13:53:4c:14:54:  
    a1:52:ff:eb:03:25:89:73:c2:e7:d2:7f:63:32:79:4a

### Raw Certificate (PEM Format)

-----BEGIN CERTIFICATE-----  
MIIC0DCCakeggBwIBATIcEjY55ERgwCgKvYkZtJz0EWATyvELMAkG1AU1EBMC  
SUw0DAkxWBgVBAgM1ERJ6M4A1UEbwIVGvIEF2AXYD0DAGBwVNaM1JB  
RDELMAG1AU1EcQxQdAgwNBM4D912B1RN1Y13LFRQfTqErVwNyA7  
MeJ4MHD4NT3AfWbYJAmJ4EKN0MwAaCjBvNvAYTAZSMHvWAVDQV  
DA11BqUzGrLhJm1NQoAD0YQVHdQWQHvYq3pCz0E6WAE4GuLkFm1JtD  
F05dSgBwAHCNBwEPtRlpu1kM0R0uGvUyQD00Q2B1OrCwXuB2VtEFDN  
fJzDQT2BHBgYqC5M49AgEGCcQ5M49AwEhAB2M2214KpxD1XtCq1qNvR  
fW8TBPXChN-1WxJzg2Df2BLvzJz2TMS1L7y1z0V4kLhWje7y3P  
gcEgmcowRATYk1BwQHUAEOQEDM0GQCsGQCaB2H1bhndfRwzv0p3B  
hA1Uy2EwZuLkZB1ZC5j2D60QmBy9rY3MhE1GaqOuQ7WDm0n1GDGMH  
dH2B18tVcGlYwN051Y5Spb3Df0H0ToDn2LQ125p25zK9yjcmw

## Download

Pressing the Download Action, download a file containing

1. Required Certificate
  2. Intermediate issuer certificate (sub-CA)
  3. Root CA certificate

## Revoke

Certificate revoking is the process of invalidating a digital certificate before its expiration, ensuring it can no longer be trusted.

Pressing the Revoke Action revoking the certificate and later on adding it to the CRL list

## Delete

Pressing the Delete Action, Certificate is deleted from DB and form the table

## 2.10 Certificate Requests

### UI

At the main view under management Links select CSR Requests

Redirected to view with list of certificate requests (CSR)

ID	Name	Key	Profile	Created At	Actions
5	test6	Ronen	test6.cnf	2025-04-23 16:01	<button>Download</button> <button>View</button> <button>Delete</button>
4	Yaron_GW1	Yaron_Test	6w_ca_root.cnf	2025-04-23 11:58	<button>Download</button> <button>View</button> <button>Delete</button>
3	Quantum	Quantum	6w_ca_root_x.cnf	2025-04-22 16:52	<button>Download</button> <button>View</button> <button>Delete</button>
2	Test1	Key1	root_ca_ecc.cnf	2025-04-16 10:03	<button>Download</button> <button>View</button> <button>Delete</button>
1	test	key	6w_ca_root.cnf	2025-04-15 16:39	<button>Download</button> <button>View</button> <button>Delete</button>

### List of Certificate signing request (CSR)

ID	Name	Key	Profile	Created At	Actions
5	test6	Ronen	test6.cnf	2025-04-23 16:01	<button>Download</button> <button>View</button> <button>Delete</button>
4	Yaron_GW1	Yaron_Test	6w_ca_root.cnf	2025-04-23 11:58	<button>Download</button> <button>View</button> <button>Delete</button>
3	Quantum	Quantum	6w_ca_root_x.cnf	2025-04-22 16:52	<button>Download</button> <button>View</button> <button>Delete</button>
2	Test1	Key1	root_ca_ecc.cnf	2025-04-16 10:03	<button>Download</button> <button>View</button> <button>Delete</button>
1	test	key	6w_ca_root.cnf	2025-04-15 16:39	<button>Download</button> <button>View</button> <button>Delete</button>

[Generate New CSR](#)



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to generate new CSR press button Generate New CSR

Redirected to Generate a New CSR

In order to make ne CSR select key from list , enter a Name and select a profile

CSR Name:  
test4

Select Key:  
Quantum (PQC)

Select Profile:  
root\_ca\_ecc.cnf - root\_ca\_ecc.cnf.j2

Generate CSR

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<https://openxpki.iot-rad.com:4443/requests/generate>

press button Generate CSR to generate new one

The view will be redirected to CSR list

Press View at the CSR you wish to see details



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## CSR Details (ID: 2)

**Name:** Test1

**Key:** Key1

**Profile:** root\_ca\_ecc.cnf

### Profile Details

**Template Name:** root\_ca\_ecc.cnf.j2

### Profile Configuration Content

```
# Root CA Certificate Configuration Template for ECC Certificates
[ req ]
default_bits      = 4096
default_md       = sha256
prompt           = no
distinguished_name = dn
x509_extensions   = v3_ca

[ dn ]
C = DE
ST = Bayern
L = Munich
O = 6WIND
OU = Root CA Division
CN = UziGW1

[ v3_ca ]
subjectKeyIdentifier = hash
authorityKeyIdentifier = keyid:always,issuer
basicConstraints     = critical, CA:true, pathlen:0
```

**Created At:** 2025-04-16 10:03

User can copy the PEM certificate and use for any purpose

## Linux

Generate Key

```
openssl genrsa -out client1.key 2048
```

Generate request

prepare configuration to be added to the certificate request

for instance,

```
cat > client1.cnf <<EOL
[ req ]
default_bits      = 2048
default_md        = sha256
distinguished_name = req_distinguished_name
attributes        = reqAttrs
prompt             = no

[ req_distinguished_name ]
CN                = client1.example.com
O                 = My Organization
C                 = US

[ reqAttrs ]
challengePassword = SecretChallenge
EOL
```

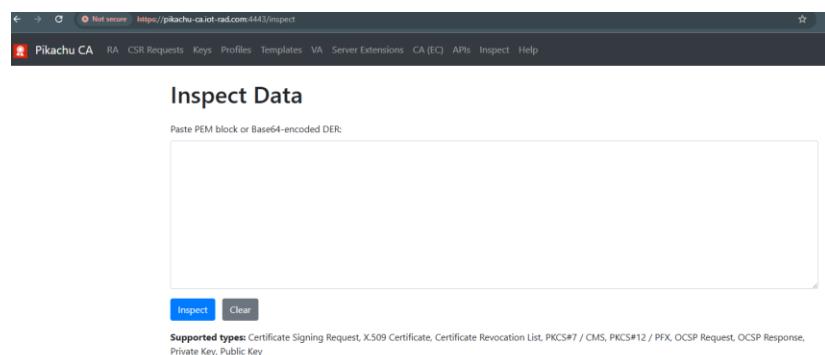
Make the request

```
openssl req -new -key client1.key -config client1.cnf -out client1.csr
```

this request can be used for either UI signing or API based SCEP or EST

## 2.11 Inspect

User can inspect any PEM block or Base64-encoded DER data



Supported types: Certificate Signing Request, X.509 Certificate, Certificate Revocation List, PKCS#7 / CMS, PKCS#12 / PFX, OCSP Request, OCSP Response, Private Key, Public Key



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Inspect provides the designated openssl view stdout

## Inspect Data

Paste PEM block or Base64-encoded DER:

```
-----BEGIN X509 CRL-----
MIIBXjCCAQQCAQEWcGyIKoZlzb0EAwlwYzELMAkGA1UEBhMCSUwxDDAKBgNVBAgM
A1RMVjERMA8GA1UEBwwlVGVsIE2aXYxDDAKBgNVBAoMA1JBRDELMakGA1UECwwC
UkQxGDAWBgnVBAMMD1JBRFN1YRlc3RFQ0RTQRcNMjUwNDE2MTI0NTlyWhcNMjUw
NDIzMTI0NTlyWjBwMBcCCQDHX1c9nLK1gRchNMjUwNDE2MTI0NTlyWjAaAgkA95tx
pGuBj3UXDTI1MDQxNjEyNDUyMlowT9jo+3ahFw0yNTA0MTYxMjQ1MjJa
MBoCCQD2+Bm0+ul8MRcNMjUwNDE2MTI0NTlyWjAKBggqhkJOPQQDAGNIADBFAiAd
tsVuaxWTXZjNzqWZ4alzeK8w1FV4kUj1/DNozDSvYZQlhAO2K4LHSZEHYjV9oUVu
XWGFU4czGO3ldB5PNhj06vBH
-----END X509 CRL-----
```

**Inspect**

**Clear**

## Result

```
Detected: Certificate Revocation List
$ openssl crl -noout -text -in /tmp/tmp64cpm5v7.pem
Certificate Revocation List (CRL):
    Version 2 (0x1)
    Signature Algorithm: ecdsa-with-SHA256
    Issuer: C=IL, ST=TLV, L=Tel Aviv, O=RAD, OU=RD, CN=RADSubTestECDSA
    Last Update: Apr 16 12:45:22 2025 GMT
    Next Update: Apr 23 12:45:22 2025 GMT
    Revoked Certificates:
        Serial Number: C75F573D9CB2B581
        Revocation Date: Apr 16 12:45:22 2025 GMT
        Serial Number: F79B71A46B818F75
        Revocation Date: Apr 16 12:45:22 2025 GMT
        Serial Number: 963E5BD8E8FB76A1
        Revocation Date: Apr 16 12:45:22 2025 GMT
        Serial Number: F6FR19R4FAF97C31
```

## 2.12 Validity Period

User enrolls Certificate using Validity period (days)

### Validity Period

365

**Update Validity**

Update using “Update Validity” button

## 2.13 Server Certificate Extension

Users generate a CSR with custom attributes, but the server may omit, modify, or add attributes before generating the key.

Examples:

1. Adding AIA for OCSP
2. Adding URL for CRL retiring
3. Adding URL for CA chain certificate retiring
4. Omit suggested password given by the user for the enrolment but not needed anymore

Main View contains read only information of the current Server Extension configuration

The screenshot shows the main view of the Pikachu CA interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with links: Not secure, https://pikachu-ca.iot-rad.com:4443, Pikachu CA, RA, CSR Requests, Keys, Profiles, Templates, VA, Server Extensions, CA (EC), APIs, Inspect, Help. Below the navigation bar, the title "Pikachu CA (R&D Only)" is displayed. On the left, there is a "Submit a CSR" section with a text area for "Paste PEM-encoded CSR here..." and two buttons: "Sign CSR" (green) and "Clear CSR". Below this is a "Load a Pending CSR Request" section with a dropdown menu showing "test (Created: 2025-04-15 16:39:50.364211)" and a "Load CSR into Form" button. On the right, there is a "Server Extension Configuration" section containing a JSON configuration snippet and a "Manage Server Extensions" button. At the bottom, there is a "Validity Period" section with a dropdown menu set to "365" and a "Update Validity" button.

To Edit the Server extension configuration, press the link “Manage Server Extensions” in a new view Edit and using Save button save the configuration



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## Manage Server Extension Configuration

```
[ v3_ext ]
authorityInfoAccess = OCSPURI:https://pikachu-ca.iot-rad.com:4443/ocsp
crlDistributionPoints = URI:https://pikachu-ca.iot-rad.com:4443/downloads/crl
```

[Save Configuration](#)

### Load Configuration from a Saved Profile

[root\\_ca\\_ecc.cnf - root\\_ca\\_ecc.cnf.j2](#) [Load Profile Configuration](#)

[← Back to Home](#)

Using link Back To Home return to main view

Notes :

1. only authorityInfoAccess (AIA) and subjectAltName (SAN) supported .

## 2.14 Enrollment

### UI signing

Using the web browser under Submit a CSR past the certificate request content and press Sign CSR button

Users can load existing CSR from the list of Pending CSR Request



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The screenshot shows the Pikachu CA (R&D Only) web interface. On the left, there is a large text area for "Submit a CSR" containing a long certificate request string. Below it are "Sign CSR" and "Clear CSR" buttons. To the right, there is a "Server Extension Configuration" section with a configuration file snippet and a "Manage Server Extensions" button. Further down is a "Validity Period" section with a dropdown set to "365" and a "Update Validity" button. At the bottom, there is a "Load a Pending CSR Request" section with a dropdown showing "Quantum (Created: 2025-04-22 16:52:06.406618)" and a "Load CSR into Form" button.

After signing the certificate will appear in the issued certificates table below

The table can be filtered by either part of Common Name or Serial values

## EST

EST enrollment technology automates certificate issuance by allowing devices to submit CSRs and receive signed certificates over secure channels.

Convert the certificate request

```
openssl req -outform DER -in client1.csr -out client1.csr.der
```

send the enrolment command using curl

```
curl -k -X POST --data-binary @client1.csr.der \
https://openxpki.iot-rad.com:4443/.well-known/est/simpleenroll \
-H "Content-Type: application/pkcs10" \
--output client1.crt.p7
```



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Extract the certificate

```
openssl pkcs7 -inform DER -in client1.crt.p7 -print_certs -out client1.crt
```

the certificate added to the UI issues certificates table

tested issued certificate using openssl

```
openssl x509 -in client1.crt -noout -text
```

enroll using command estclient

```
estclient enroll -server pikachu-ca.iot-rad.com:4443 -insecure -csr etx.csr -out etx.crt
```

## SCEP (in development)

For SCEP you must provide the CA of either full chain (Root + Sub CA) or only the intimidate one (Sub CA)  
send the enrolment command using sscep command (see Complementary section for installing it)

```
sscep enroll -u http://openxpki.iot-rad.com:8090/scep \
-c ca.cert.pem \
-k client1.key \
-r client1.csr \
-l client1.crt
```

Note: to debug sscep command add -d option

the certificate added to the UI issues certificates table

tested issued certificate using openssl



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```
openssl x509 -in client1.crt -noout -text
```

Convert the certificate request

```
openssl req -outform DER -in client1.csr -out client1.csr.der
```

send the enrolment command using curl

```
curl -k -X POST --data-binary @client1.csr.der \
https://openxpki.iot-rad.com:4443/.well-known/est/simpleenroll \
-H "Content-Type: application/pkcs10" \
--output client1.crt.p7
```

Extract the certificate

```
openssl pkcs7 -inform DER -in client1.crt.p7 -print_certs -out client1.crt
```

the certificate added to the UI issues certificates table

tested issued certificate using openssl

```
openssl x509 -in client1.crt -noout -text
```

Note: based on GitHub repo <https://github.com/mosen/SCEPy>

## 2.15 Verification Authority (VA)

CRL (Certificate Revocation List) is a mechanism for maintaining and distributing a list of digital certificates that have been revoked by a Certificate Authority, ensuring that clients can verify certificate validity.



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## View

List of revoked certificates

The screenshot shows a web browser window for the RAD Verification Authority (VA) interface. The URL is <https://pikachu-ca.iot-rad.com:4443/va>. The page title is "Verification Authority (VA)". Below it, a sub-section title is "List of Revoked Certificates". A table lists twelve revoked certificates with columns for ID, Subject, and Serial. At the bottom of the table is a blue button labeled "Download CRL".

ID	Subject	Serial
1	6WIND Test ECDSA RCA	0x782992631e521118
2	UziGW1	0xa6a969f49e638326
6	6WIND Test ECDSA RCA	0x72c21e33235f795b
8	6WIND Test ECDSA RCA	0xa11663a49f698ed
11	6WIND Test ECDSA RCA	0x5487b4844afad48b
12	RADX-005282112455	0x83c6b9b287325efa

[Download CRL](#)

## Download

Download the CRL by two methods:

1. Using UI pressing the link Download CRL
2. Using API endpoint

```
curl -k https://openxpki.iot-rad.com:4443/downloads/crl --output crl.pem
```

## Inspect

Openssl based info.

## Raw CRL Output (OpenSSL)

```
Certificate Revocation List (CRL):
  Version 2 (0x1)
  Signature Algorithm: ecdsa-with-SHA256
  Issuer: C=IL, ST=TLV, L=Tel Aviv, O=RAD, OU=RD, CN=RADSubTestECDSA
  Last Update: Apr 26 16:00:34 2025 GMT
  Next Update: May 3 16:00:34 2025 GMT
  Revoked Certificates:
    Serial Number: 782992631E521118
      Revocation Date: Apr 26 16:00:34 2025 GMT
    Serial Number: A6A969F49E638326
      Revocation Date: Apr 26 16:00:34 2025 GMT
    Serial Number: 72C21E33235F795B
      Revocation Date: Apr 26 16:00:34 2025 GMT
    Serial Number: 0A11663A49F698ED
      Revocation Date: Apr 26 16:00:34 2025 GMT
    Serial Number: 5487B4844AFAD48B
      Revocation Date: Apr 26 16:00:34 2025 GMT
    Serial Number: 83C6B9B287325EFA
      Revocation Date: Apr 26 16:00:34 2025 GMT
  Signature Algorithm: ecdsa-with-SHA256
  Signature Value:
    30:44:02:20:0e:e6:86:5d:15:20:41:8a:7d:2d:b4:63:db:1e:
    18:fe:78:98:d6:8e:d0:ae:d5:d7:7e:9a:e4:71:14:09:cf:92:
```

## MQTTs with CRL file

Common Server using the CRL file to deny access of client with revoked certification is MQTT broker mosquitto.

MQTT added configuration in mosquitto.conf (see Paragraph 2.2 Insulation / complementary /MQTT Broker

```
crlfile /mosquitto/certs/crl_client_2.pem
```

the MQTT server deny revoked certificates based connection attempts

the server must be periodically updated with new updated CRL

example adding crl updater to the docker compose

```
crl-updater:
  image: alpine:latest
  container_name: crl_updater
  volumes:
    - ./mosquitto/certs:/mosquitto/
    - /var/run/docker.sock:/var/run/docker.sock # So we can signal the
mosquitto container
  # Install curl and bash, then run a loop:
  command: >
    sh -c "apk add --no-cache curl bash &&
    while true; do
      echo 'Downloading new CRL file...';
      curl -k https://openxpki.iot-rad.com:4443/downloads/crl --output
/mosquitto/certs/crl.pem;
      echo 'Triggering Mosquitto to reload its configuration...';
      docker kill --signal=SIGHUP mqtt;
      echo 'Sleeping for 24 hours before next update...';
      sleep 86400;
    done"
  restart: unless-stopped
```

**Note: not tested yet**

## 2.16 CA certificate management

User can retrieve the following CA certificate

**Root CA Certificate:**

A trusted self-signed certificate that sits at the top of the certificate hierarchy. It is the anchor of trust used to verify all other certificates in the chain.

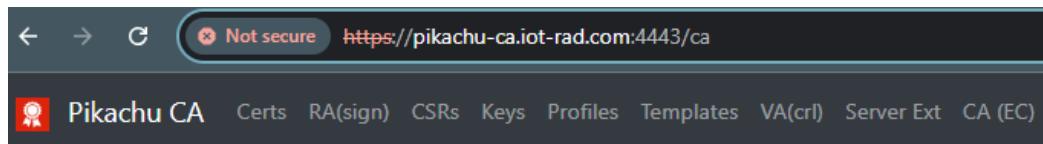
**Sub CA (Intermediate) Certificate:**

A certificate issued by the Root CA (or another intermediate) to delegate signing authority. It acts as a bridge between the Root CA and end-entity (leaf) certificates, improving security and scalability.

## Download

Download the CA Chain Certificate by two methods:

1. Using UI pressing the link Download the CA Chain Cert



## Certificate Authority Details

[Download CA Chain Cert](#)

2. Using API endpoint

```
curl -k https://openxpki.iot-rad.com:4443/downloads/chain --output ca.chain.pem
```

the ca.chain.pem file can be inspected using openssl

```
openssl x509 -in ca.chain.pem -noout -text
```



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## View

Pressing the buttons “View Root CA Certificate” and “View Sub CA Certificate” redirect to to view page with all needed Data

## Update

Change the configuration file config.ini

```
[CA]
# Which subordinate CA to use by default: "EC" or "RSA"
mode = EC

# Paths for both modes; the get_ca_config() helper below will pick the right
SUBCA_KEY_PATH_EC      = /home/rocky/pki-subca/rad_ca_sub_ec.key
SUBCA_CERT_PATH_EC     = /home/rocky/pki-subca/rad_ca_sub_ec.crt
CHAIN_FILE_PATH_EC     = /home/rocky/pki-subca/rad_chain_ec.crt

SUBCA_KEY_PATH_RSA      = /home/rocky/pki-subca/rad_ca_sub_rsa.key
SUBCA_CERT_PATH_RSA     = /home/rocky/pki-subca/rad_ca_sub_rsa.crt
CHAIN_FILE_PATH_RSA     = /home/rocky/pki-subca/rad_chain_rsa.crt

ROOT_CERT_PATH          = /home/rocky/pki-root/rad_ca_root.crt
[HTTPS]
# HTTPS certificate & key for your main CA UI
ssl_cert = /home/rocky/pki-https/tls.cert.pem
ssl_key  = /home/rocky/pki-https/tls.key.pem
port      = 4443
```

## Generate

Below example how to generate all needed CA files

### Root CA

Generate Key using type EC and curve prime256v1(secp256r1)

Use root CA request configuration

```
cat > rad_ca_root.cnf <<EOL
# CA Certificate Configuration Template for Root ECC Certificates
[ req ]
# Note: For ECC keys the "default_bits" option is not used.
default_md      = sha256
default_days    = 3650
prompt          = no
distinguished_name = dn
x509_extensions = v3_ca
default_ec_curve = prime256v1

[ dn ]
C = IL
ST = TLV
L = Tel Aviv
O = RAD
OU = RD
CN = RADRootTestECDSA

[ v3_ca ]
subjectKeyIdentifier = hash
authorityKeyIdentifier = keyid:always,issuer
basicConstraints      = critical, CA:true, pathlen:0
keyUsage              = critical, digitalSignature, keyCertSign, cRLSign
EOL
```

Sign the root by itself

```
openssl req -config rad_ca_root.cnf -key rad_ca_root.key -new -x509 -days
3650 -sha256 -out rad_ca_root.crt
```

### **Sub CA**

Generate Key using type EC and curve prime256v1(secp256r1)

Use sub-CA request configuration

```
cat > rad_ca_sub.cnf <<EOL
# CA Certificate Configuration Template for Subordinate (Intermediate) ECC
Certificates
[ req ]
default_bits      = 2048
default_md       = sha256
prompt           = no
distinguished_name = dn
req_extensions    = v3_intermediate

[ dn ]
C   = IL
ST  = TLV
L   = Tel Aviv
O   = RAD
OU  = RD
CN  = RADSubTestECDSA

[ v3_intermediate ]
subjectKeyIdentifier  = hash
#authorityKeyIdentifier = keyid,issuer
basicConstraints      = critical, CA:true, pathlen:0
keyUsage              = keyCertSign, cRLSign
EOL
```

Prepare the Sub-CA Certificate request

```
openssl req -config rad_ca_sub.cnf -key rad_ca_sub.key -new -out
rad_ca_sub.csr
```

add the Root-CA signing Server extension

```
cat > ca_root_ext.cnf <<EOL
[ v3_intermediate ]
subjectKeyIdentifier  = hash
authorityKeyIdentifier = keyid,issuer
basicConstraints      = critical, CA:true, pathlen:0
keyUsage              = digitalSignature, keyCertSign, cRLSign
crlDistributionPoints = URI:https://openxpki.iot-rad.com:4443/downloads/crl
EOL
```

Sign the sub-CSR by the root CA

```
openssl x509 -req -in rad_ca_sub.csr -CA rad_ca_root.crt -CAkey  
rad_ca_root.key -CAcreateserial -out rad_ca_sub.crt -days 3650 -sha256 -  
extfile ca_root_ext.cnf -extensions v3_intermediate
```

this provides the certificates and keys for both root and sub CA.

## 2.17 Online Certificate Status Protocol (OCSP)

OCSP is A real-time certificate status checking protocol that allows clients to verify whether a digital certificate has been revoked, without downloading the full CRL. OCSP improves performance and bandwidth usage compared to traditional revocation lists.

In order to perform the check the user must have the following files:

1. CA certificate ( can be only Sub-CA )
2. Certificate

Check certificate status command ca\_certificate

```
openssl ocsp -reqout ocsp_request.der \  
-CAfile ca.chain.pem \  
-issuer ca.cert.pem  
-cert client1.crt \  
-url https://openxpki.iot-rad.com:4443/ocsp \  
-resp_text -respout ocsp_response.der
```

The command stdut return the certificate status

Valid certificate result :

```
Response verify OK  
/home/rocky/pki-ocsp/cert_2.pem: good  
This Update: Apr 3 13:15:21 2025 GMT  
Next Update: Apr 10 13:15:21 2025 GMT
```

Revokes certificate result :



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```
Response verify OK
/home/rocky/pki-ocsp/cert_revoked.pem: revoked
    This Update: Apr 3 13:15:57 2025 GMT
    Next Update: Apr 10 13:15:57 2025 GMT
    Reason: unspecified
    Revocation Time: Apr 3 13:15:57 2025 GMT
```

the output file ocsp\_response.der contains the status as well  
command

```
openssl ocsp -respin ocsp_response.der -text -noverify
```

stdout

```
OCSP Response Data:
  OCSP Response Status: successful (0x0)
  Response Type: Basic OCSP Response
  Version: 1 (0x0)
  Responder Id: 9DB644062A4D85759C46D1C4215F4DB7C345149D
  Produced At: Apr 3 10:58:10 2025 GMT
  Responses:
    Certificate ID:
      Hash Algorithm: sha1
      Issuer Name Hash: 616FC051FA23823B80B63EDD49EBFE18F4FB4E77
      Issuer Key Hash: 9DB644062A4D85759C46D1C4215F4DB7C345149D
      Serial Number: 0DCD62C3C11C144DD8AA313FF654067D3F413E5F
    Cert Status: revoked
    Revocation Time: Apr 3 10:58:10 2025 GMT
    Revocation Reason: unspecified (0x0)
    This Update: Apr 3 10:58:10 2025 GMT
    Next Update: Apr 10 10:58:10 2025 GMT
```

## Certificate based Servers using OCSP

In order for TLS based Servers to use OCSP the information of the URL to check must be embedded within the Certificate itself.

OCSP requires authorityInfoAccess (AIA)

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Adding attributes by following paragraph 2.5 Server Certificate Extension

Some TLS servers like HAProxy only have mode configuration attribute the URL is taken from the certificate attributes.

## 2.18 Post-Quantum Keys

Users can issue certificate using stronger Keys algorithms

Prerequisite to do so is to add new provider (extension to openssl command)

Check if Quantum safe keys extension oqsprovider is activated using the following command:

```
#run command
openssl list -providers
#output
Providers:
default
  name: OpenSSL Default Provider
  version: 3.2.2
  status: active
oqsprovider
  name: OpenSSL OQS Provider
  version: 0.8.1-dev
  status: active
```

Generate key

```
openssl genpkey -algorithm mldsa44 -provider oqsprovider -out client1.key
```

Checking all possible algorithms for the oqsprovider provider with the command:



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```
openssl list -public-key-algorithms -provider oqsprovider
```

Generate request

prepare configuration to be added to the certificate request

for instance,

```
cat > client1.cnf <<EOL
[ req ]
default_bits      = 2048
default_md        = sha256
distinguished_name = req_distinguished_name
attributes        = reqAttrs
prompt            = no

[ req_distinguished_name ]
CN                = client1.example.com
O                 = My Organization
C                 = US

[ reqAttrs ]
challengePassword = SecretChallenge
EOL
```

Make the request

```
openssl req -new -key client1.key -config client1.cnf -out client1.csr
```

using UI



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## Submit a CSR

```
-----BEGIN CERTIFICATE REQUEST-----  
MIIPQTCCBbcCAQAwejELMAkGA1UEBhMCRIixFjAUBgNVBAgMDUlzsZ1kZS1GcmFu  
Y2UxDjAMBgNVBACMBVhcmIzMQ4wDAYDVQQKDAU2V0IORDEUMBIGA1UECwwLQ0Eg  
RG12axNpb24xHTAbBgNVBAMMFZXSU5EfFRlc3QgRUNEU0EgUkNBMIIFMjALBglg  
hkgBZQMEAxEggUhAEePvUmVR+P7L8A9sb53b/ua/oLtB0/Q1Ifk2k9l8UIL1sa  
8cogEKPo4GhPSG8UM5M4Uk457zfbPawsIzXYR3zHOkRmwaxazYSj5o6UofVopnjh  
/TALCEvxaDvhYdCvVRDFVZB14MGH+MPHDpwymsXXXf59GmOXztp7KVXzP9XzYW  
xxb7dva3NGpDOR5zEMmClxPEyabqd0oMnhJX2/k2j0j41Hmd+ZgPs6HI/XPlkjWl  
gSJWgbKg7Tbct4AkuZ5EcafW1CfDxgbcVQABPvsCqrXBsd3XX1+CHom3Pu1t+ntM  
ep1XKtRfJyI3EkWI0CiDkOeV5gWjU/cvacV2v6VbnCR+vFWDdGJEIUjyiA8q3mo7
```

[Sign CSR](#)

[Clear CSR](#)

Note: the 2.5 Enrollment using UI can't be used for this operation, code is based on python libraries whereas quantum safe signing is based on OS openssl in the python code.

After signing the certificate will appear in the issued certificates table bellow

## Issued Certificates

Filter by Common Name, Serial, Key or Date

ID	Common Name	Serial	Key	Date	Status	Actions
1	6WIND Test ECDSA RCA	0x782992631e521118	EC/prime256v1	2025-04-21 10:38	Valid	<a href="#">View</a> <a href="#">Download</a> <a href="#">Revoke</a> <a href="#">Delete</a>
2	UziGW1	0xa6a969f49e638326	RSA/4096	2025-04-21 10:50	Valid	<a href="#">View</a> <a href="#">Download</a> <a href="#">Revoke</a> <a href="#">Delete</a>
3	RADX-005282112455	0xd70cc50e9c9adfe	EC/prime256v1	2025-04-21 13:10	Valid	<a href="#">View</a> <a href="#">Download</a> <a href="#">Revoke</a> <a href="#">Delete</a>
4	6WIND Test ECDSA RCA	0x969a4cf609260c4	PQC/mldsa44	2025-04-22 16:52	Valid	<a href="#">View</a> <a href="#">Download</a> <a href="#">Revoke</a> <a href="#">Delete</a>

## 2.19 APIs

List of supported server APIs

General Server APIs



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## Server APIs & CLI Commands

Type	Action	Endpoint URL / Command	Misc
CA General	Download CA Chain	<code>curl -k https://pikachu-ca.iot-rad.com:5443/downloads/chain</code>	Returns full CA chain file
	Download CRL	<code>curl -k https://pikachu-ca.iot-rad.com:4443/downloads/crl</code>	Generates and downloads latest Certificate Revocation List
	Certificate Status	<code>curl -k https://pikachu-ca.iot-rad.com:4443/status/0xc75f573d9cb2b581</code>	Returns status as valid, revoked, or not found in JSON
	Expired Certificates	<code>curl -k https://pikachu-ca.iot-rad.com:5443/expired</code>	Returns list of certificate IDs that are expired
	Download CSR	<code>curl -k https://pikachu-ca.iot-rad.com:5443/requests/1/download</code>	Serves saved CSR if available

### SCEP supported APIs

SCEP	SCEP CRL	<code>sscep getcrl \ -u http://pikachu-ca.iot-rad.com:8090/scep \ -c ca_rsa.crt \ -k local.key \ -l local.crt \ -w crl.pem</code>	Not Supported
	SCEP Enrollment	<code>sscep enroll -d -v \ -u http://pikachu-ca.iot-rad.com:8090/scep \ -c rad_ca_sub_rsa.crt \ -k client1.key \ -r client1.csr \ -l client1.crt</code>	prerequisite RSA based Sub CA @Work
	SCEP CA Certs	<code>sscep getca -u http://pikachu-ca.iot-rad.com:8090/scep -c cap.pem</code>	prerequisite RSA based Sub CA

### EST supporting Apis ( curl and estclient)



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EST	EST Enrollment	<pre>curl -k -X POST \ --data-binary @etx.csr.der \ https://pikachu-ca.iot-rad.com:4443/.well-known/est/simpleenroll \ -H "Content-Type: application/pkcs10" \ --output etx.crt.p7</pre> <pre>estclient enroll \ -server pikachu-ca.iot-rad.com:4443 \ -insecure \ -csr etx.csr \ -out etx.crt</pre>	Using curl accepts DER CSR and returns signed cert in PKCS#7
	EST CA Certs	<pre>curl -k \ https://pikachu-ca.iot-rad.com:4443/.well-known/est/cacerts \ --output chain.crt</pre> <pre>estclient cacerts \ -server pikachu-ca.iot-rad.com:4443 \ -insecure \ -out ca.pem</pre>	Returns CA chain in PKCS#7 format

## OCSP supporting API

OCSP	OCSP Responder	<pre>openssl ocsp \ -request ocsp_request.der \ -issuer rad_ca_sub.crt \ -cert valid.crt \ -url https://pikachu-ca.iot-rad.com:4443/ocsp \ -resp_text \ -respout ocsp_response.der</pre>	Returns OCSP status in DER format
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## 2.20 Config

Config Navigation Tab shows the server current configuration



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```
[DEFAULT]
# general Flask settings
SECRET_KEY = your-super-secret

[CA]
# Which subordinate CA to use by default: "EC" or "RSA"
mode = EC

# Paths for both modes; the get_ca_config() helper below will pick the right
SUBCA_KEY_PATH_EC    = /home/rocky/pki-subca/rad_ca_sub_ec.key
SUBCA_CERT_PATH_EC   = /home/rocky/pki-subca/rad_ca_sub_ec.crt
CHAIN_FILE_PATH_EC  = /home/rocky/pki-subca/rad_chain_ec.crt
```

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