SWITCHengines – How to

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SWITCHengine Access

- To get access to SWITCHengine send an email to switchengines.services@fhnw.ch
  Do this only once per project team (preferrably the SA).
- Indicate in your mail all emails of your team members as the SWICHengine admins have no access to Confluence.
- Also indicate your project name as found on Confluence, e.g. IP-116vt_App4Technik_1

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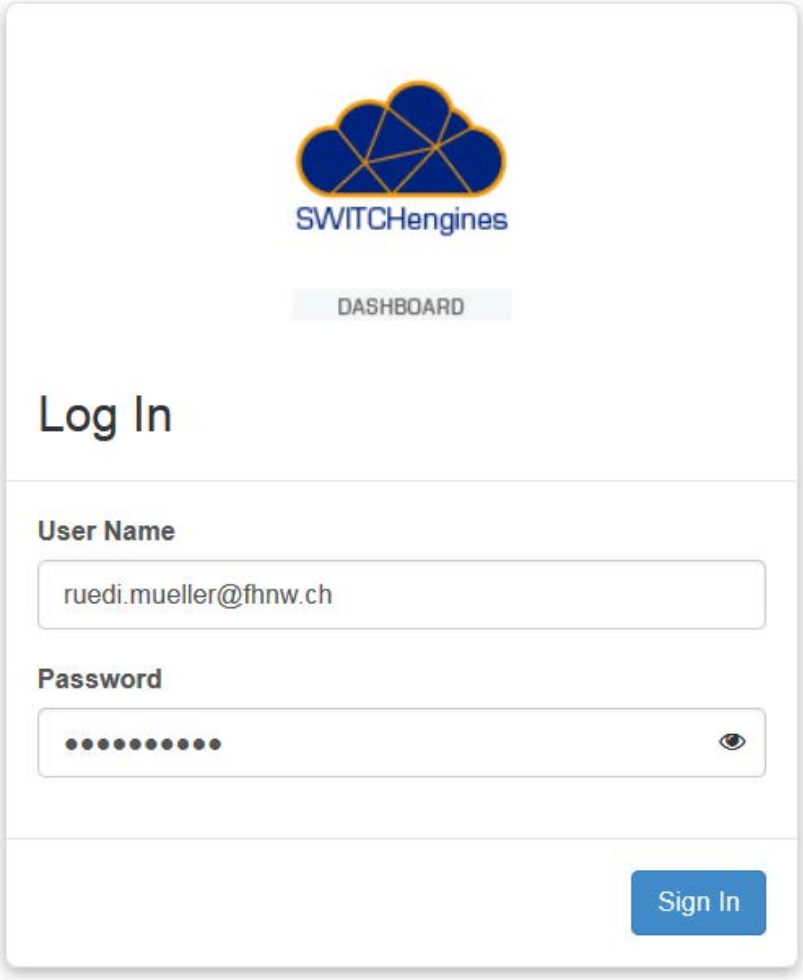
SWITCHengine Access

- You'll get access with the following default values unless you give reasons why your team needs more resources:
  Number of servers: 2
  Number of CPUs: 2
  RAM size: 4 GB
  Disk size: 1 TB
- You'll be notified when access is granted.

Login

- Get access rights from CS Support
- Log in https://engines.switch.ch



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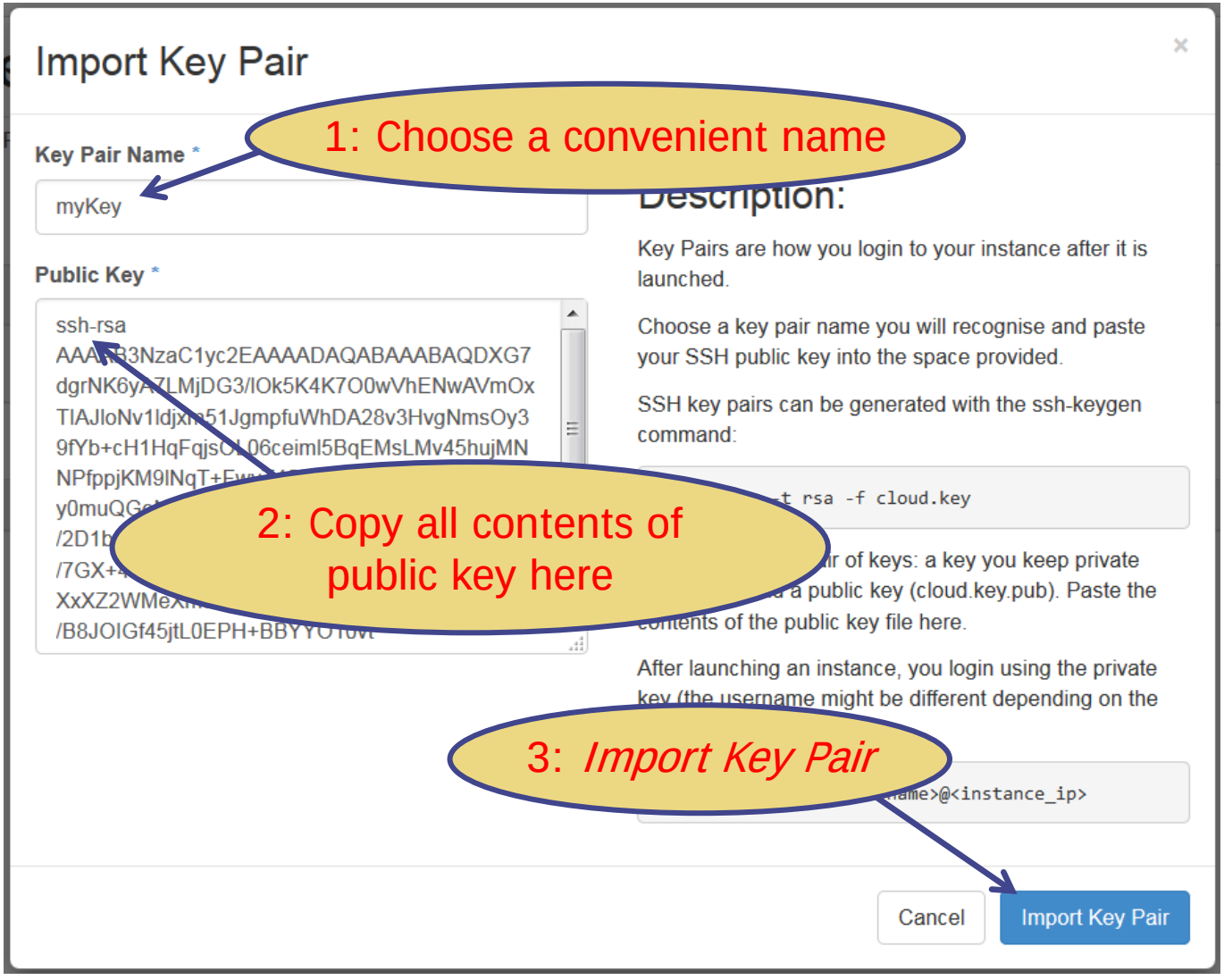

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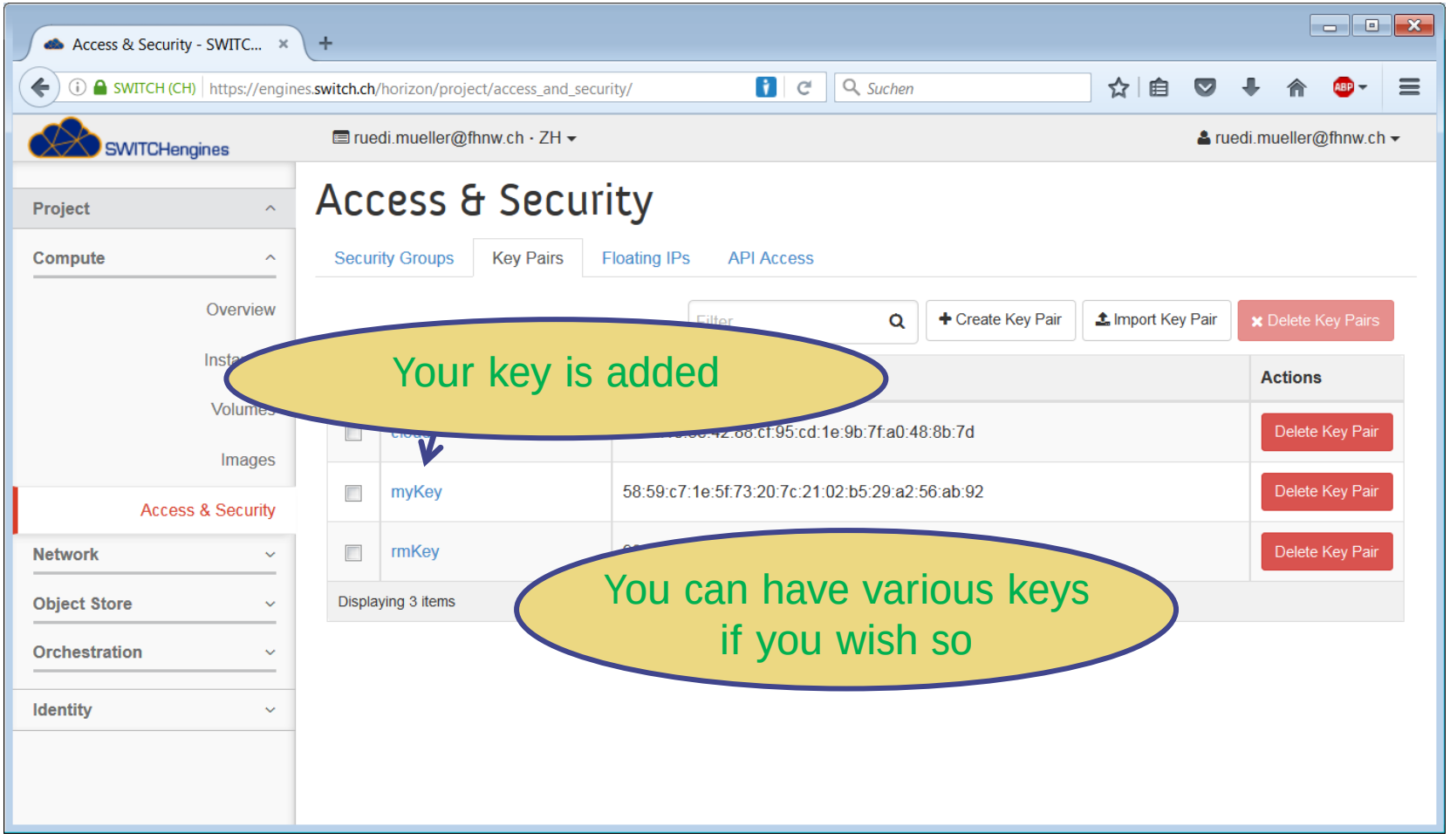

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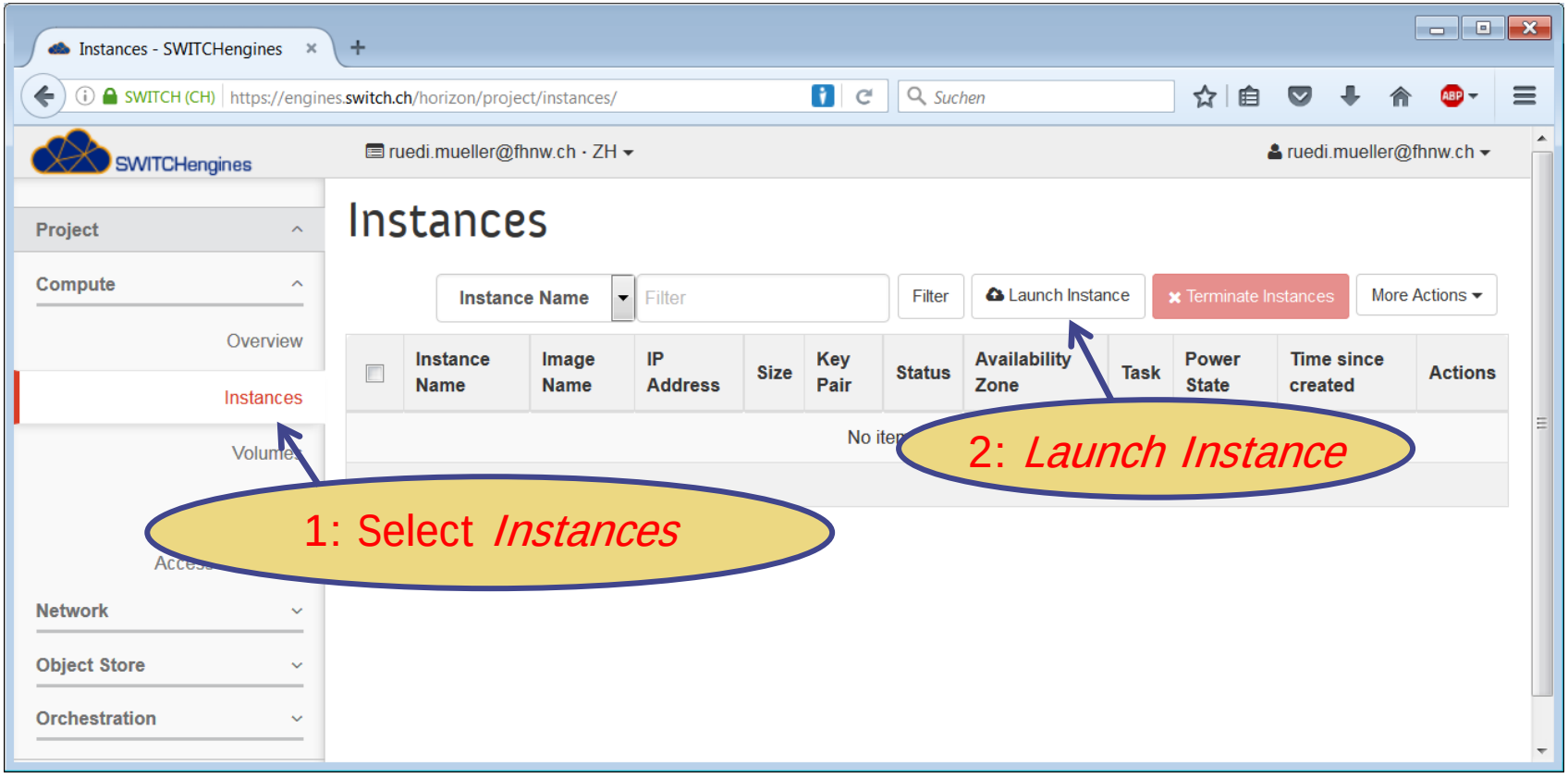

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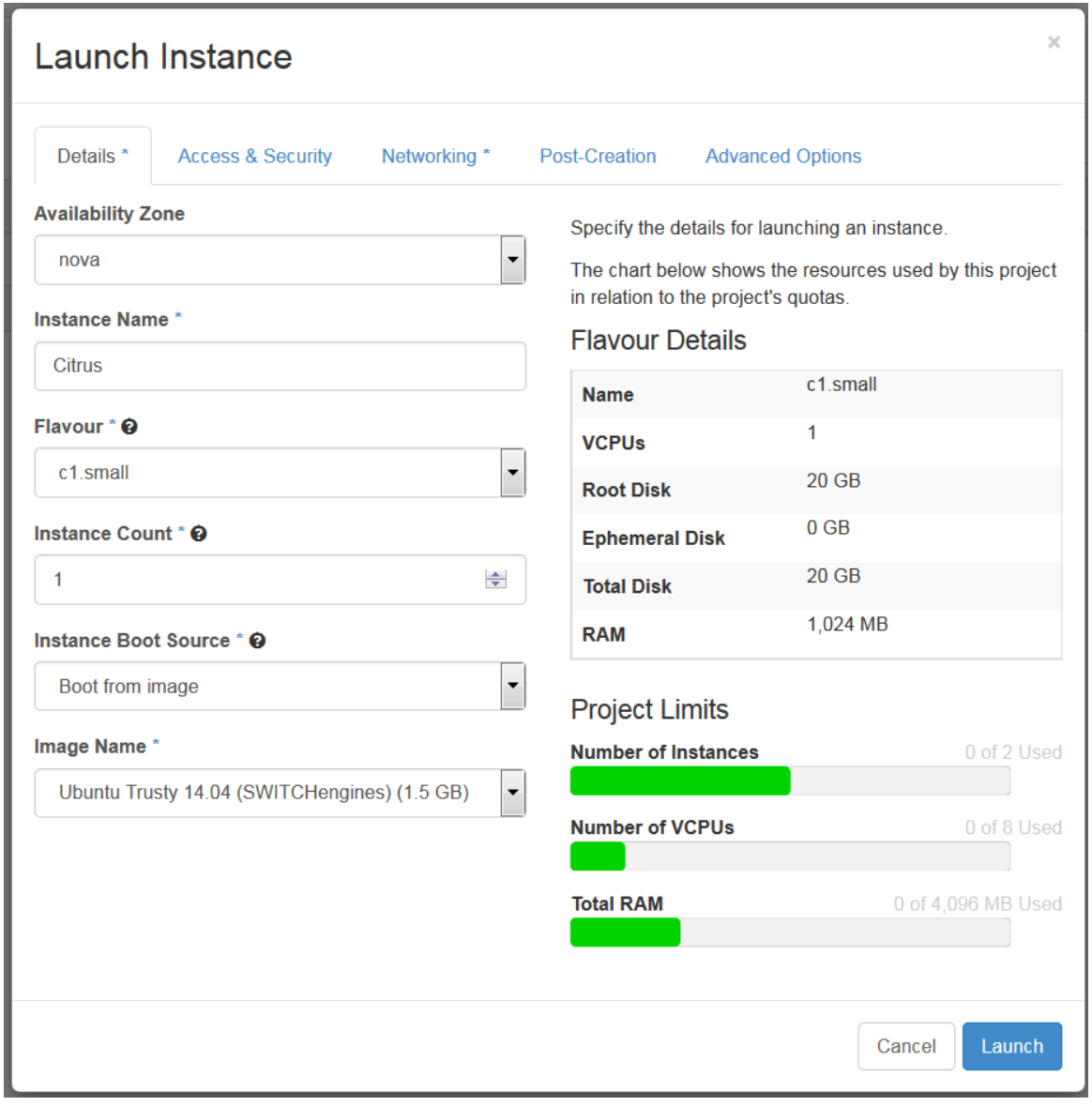

1: Select *Details* tab
2: Choose convenient *Instance Name*
3: Choose *Flavour* from dropdown menu (size etc.)
4: *Instance Boot Source* (here image option chosen, to be indicated in 5:)
5: *Image Name* (choose according your needs)

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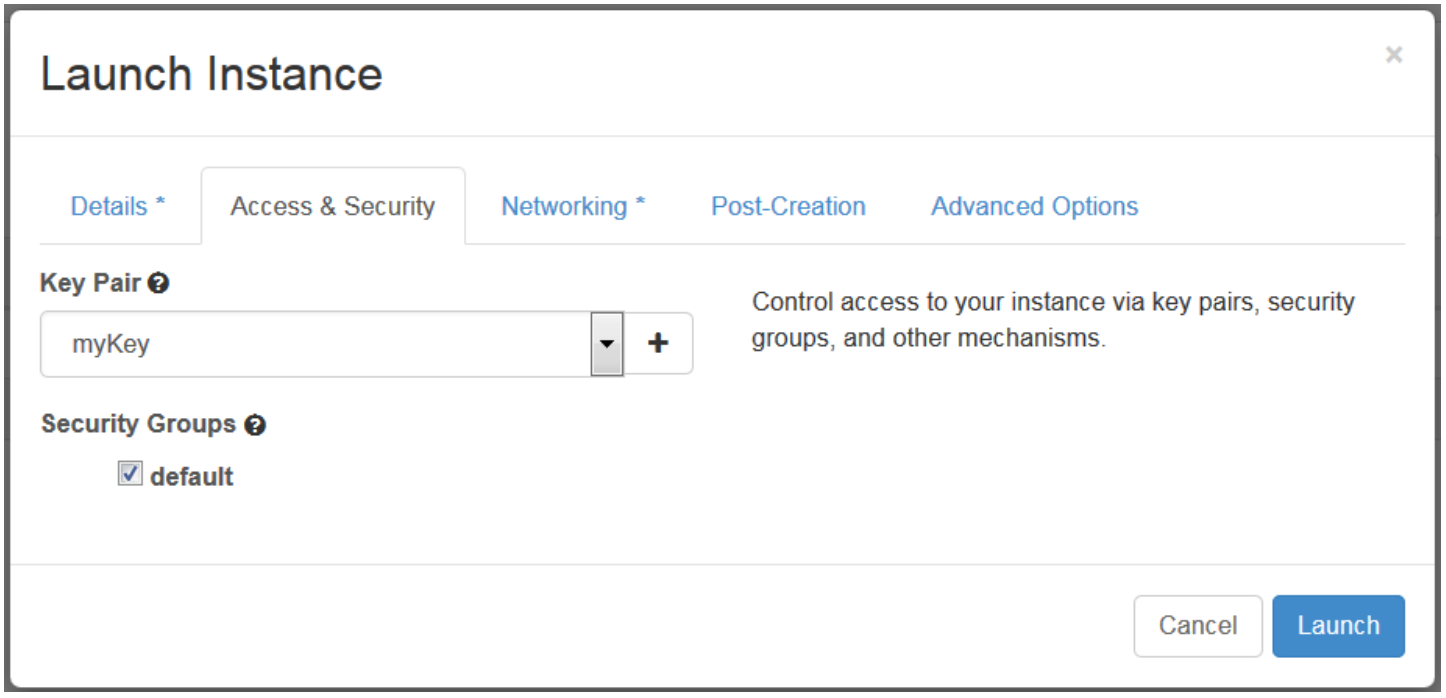

1: Select *Access & Security* tab
2: Choose your *Key Pair* from dropdown list
3: Check *default*
4: *Launch*

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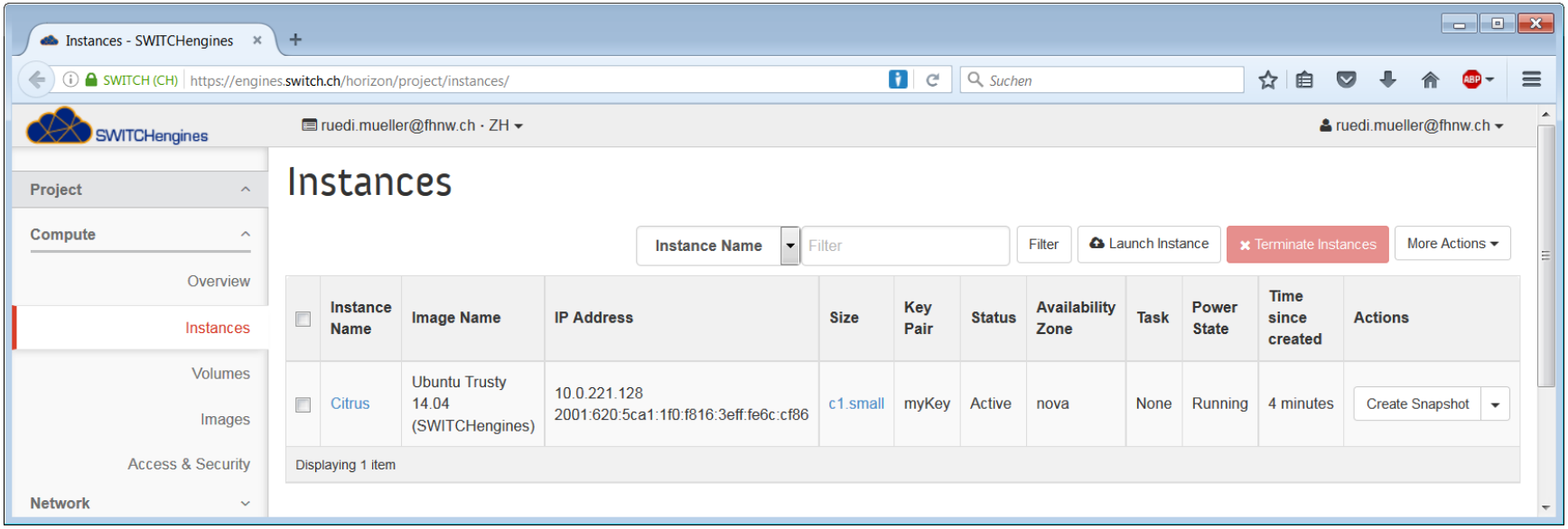

Overview of your running instance:
Instance Name, Image Name, State, Time since creted etc.

More details with clicking *Citrus* (here) and choosing tab *Instance Overview*

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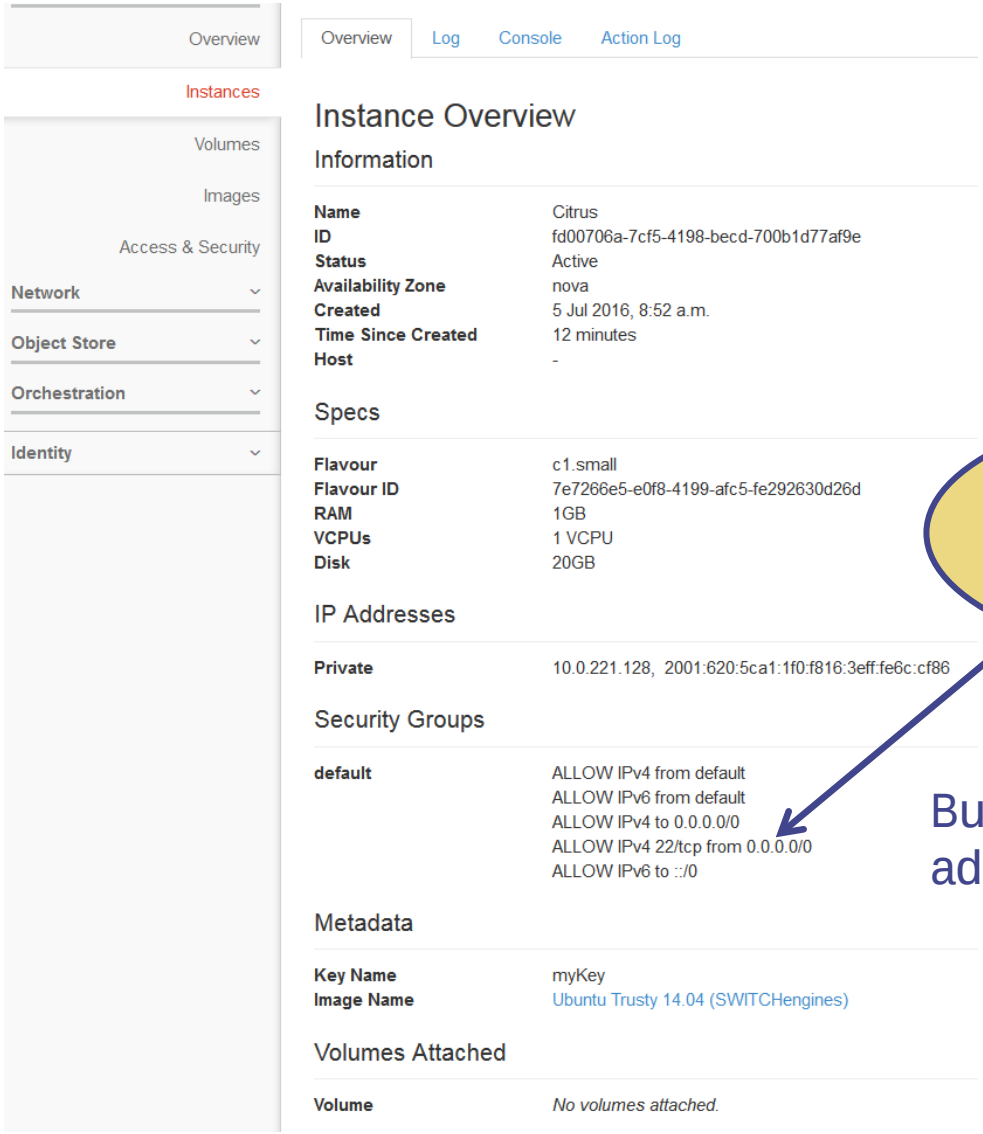
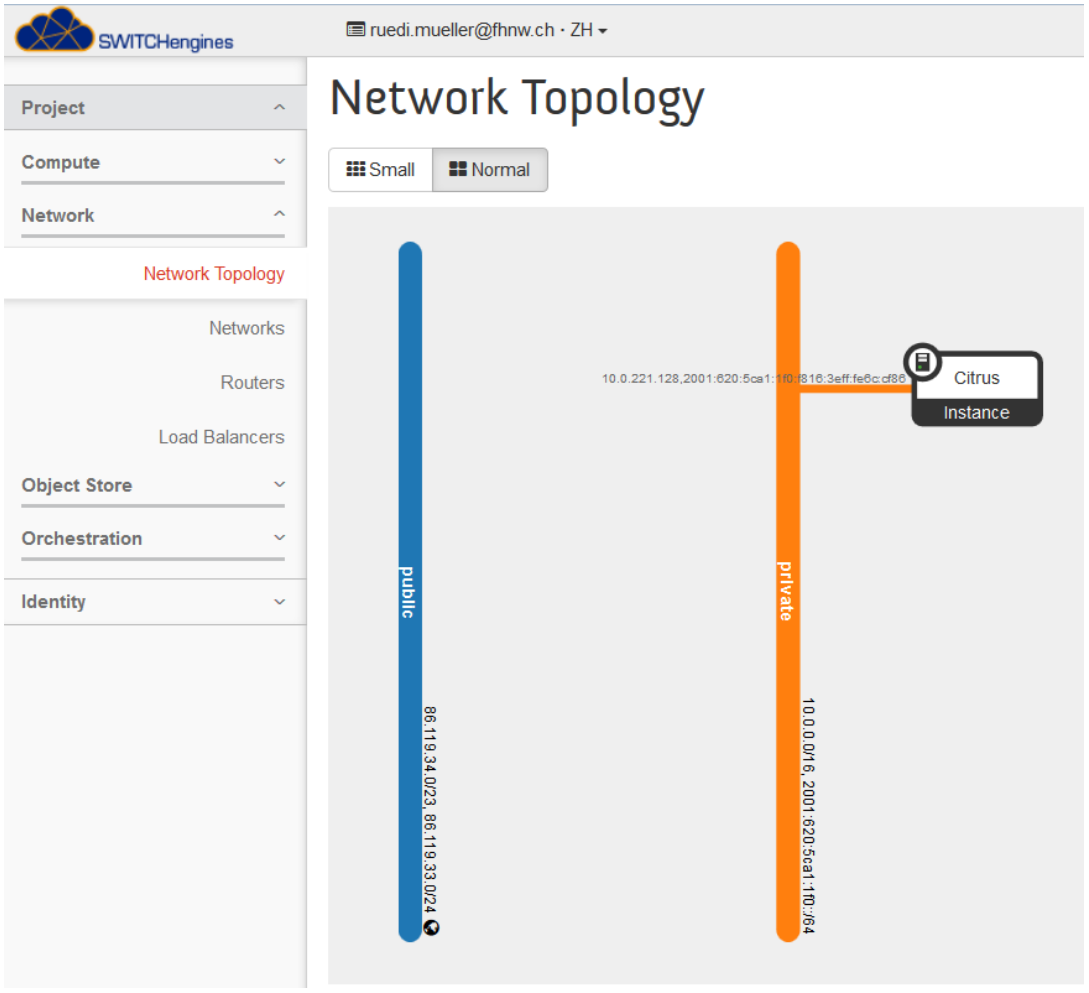


Make sure you have
Allow IPv4 22/tcp
for later SSH access

Button to slide how to add SSH

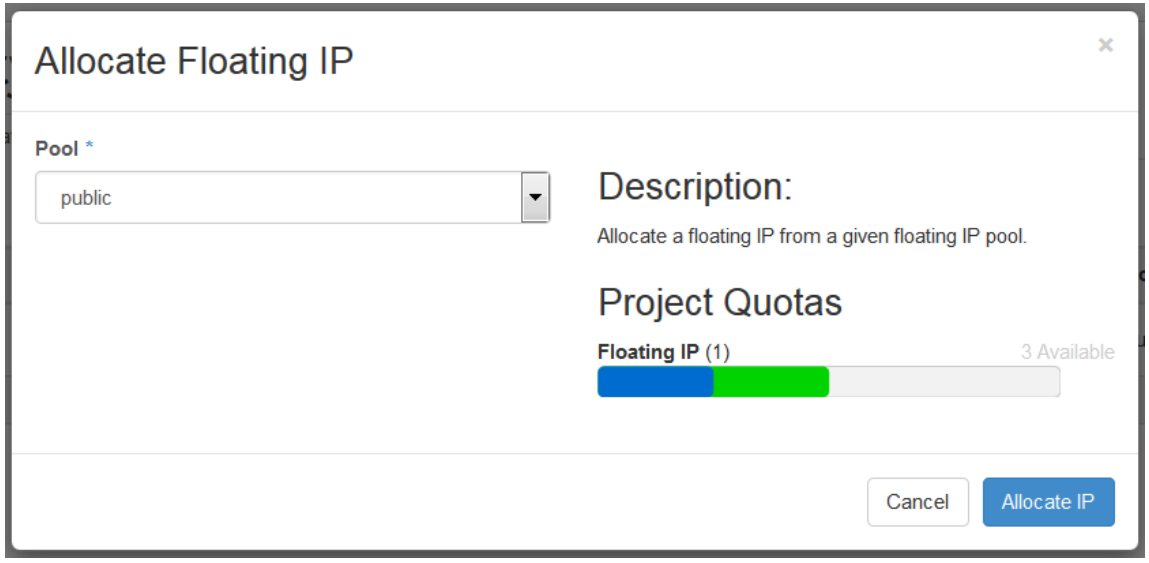
Network Topology (so far)



The private network cannot be accessed from outside.
You need to establish this connection via a floating IP.

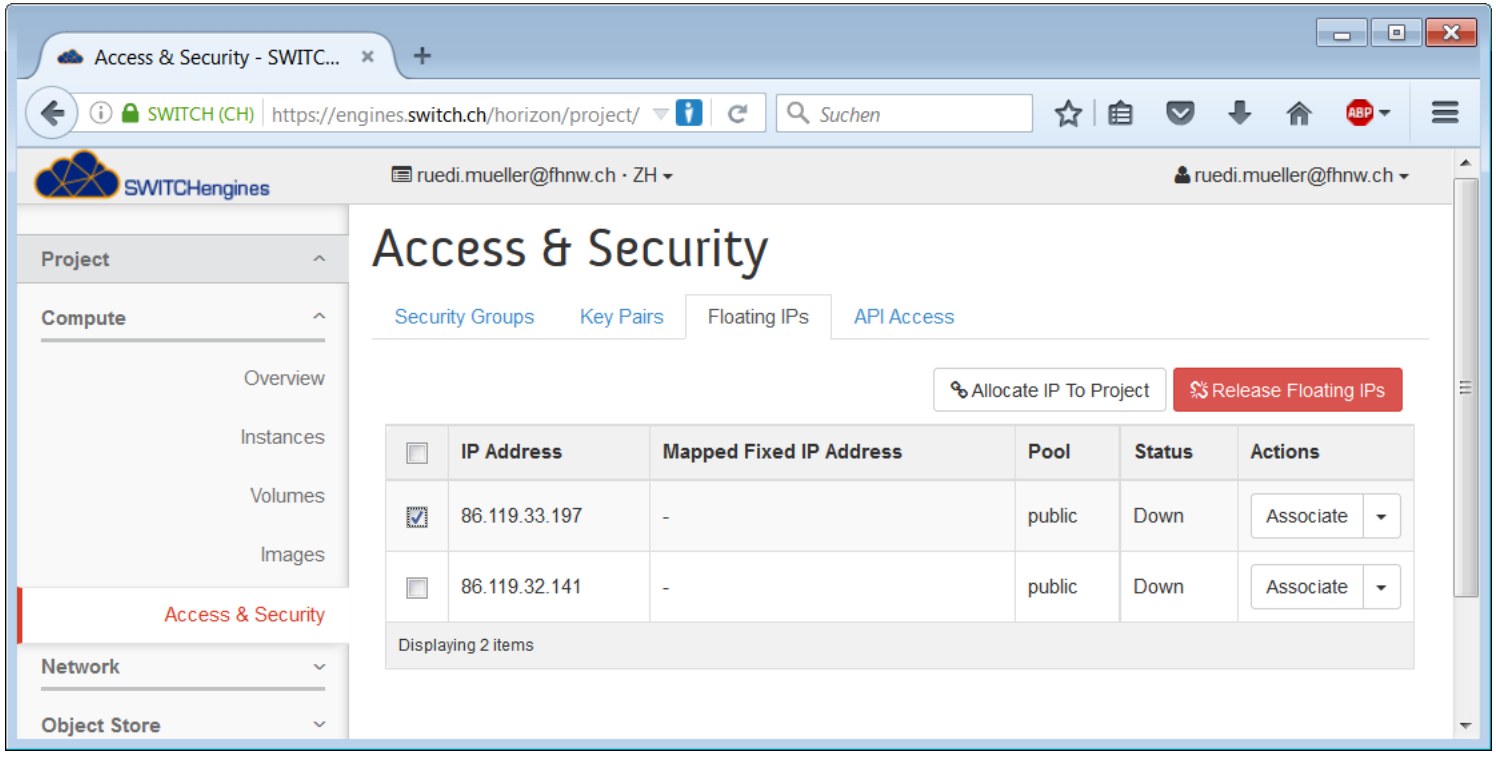
Allocate Floating IP

- Go to *Access & Security*
- Choose *Floating IPs* tab
- Click *Allocate IP to Project*



- Click button *Allocate IP*

Associate Floating IP



- Click (desired) IP Address
- Perform Action *Associate*

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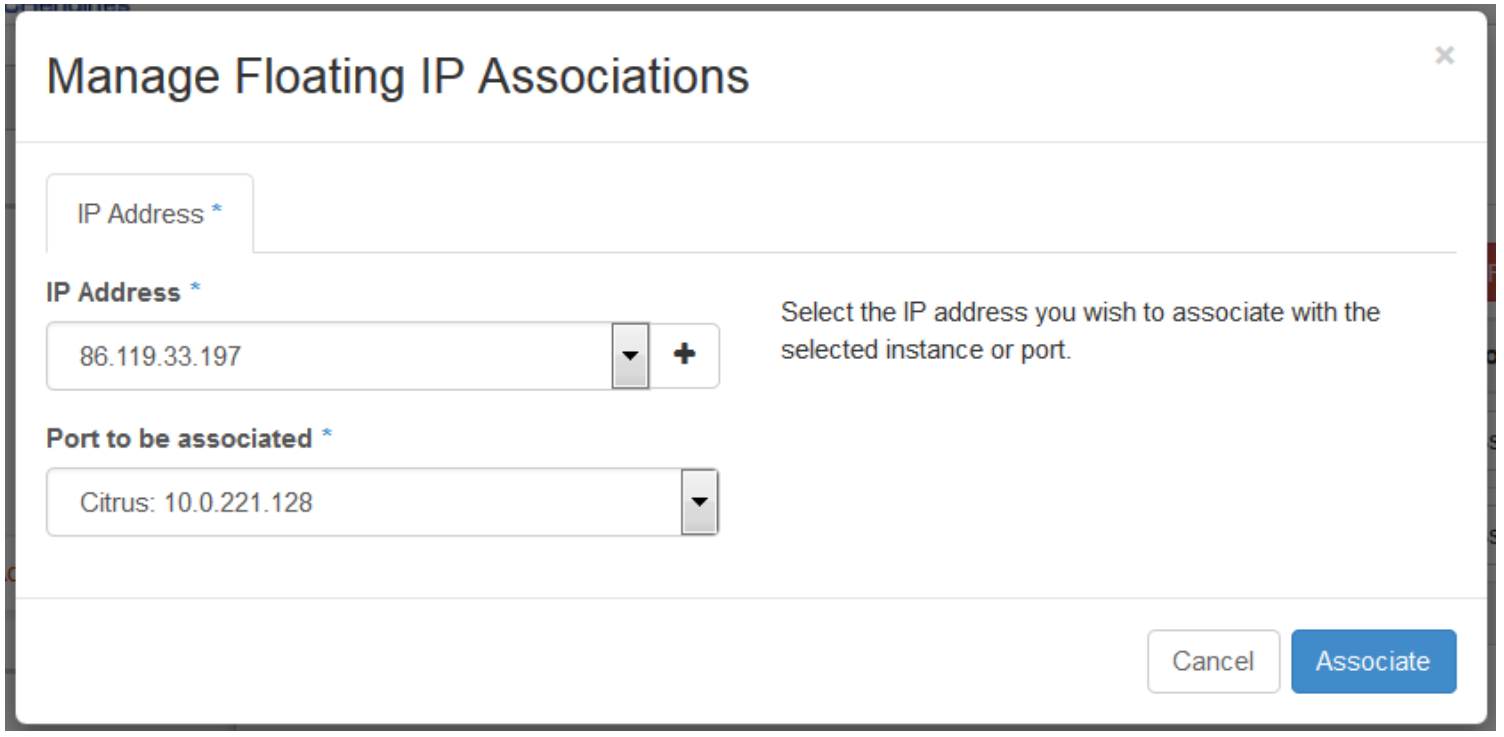
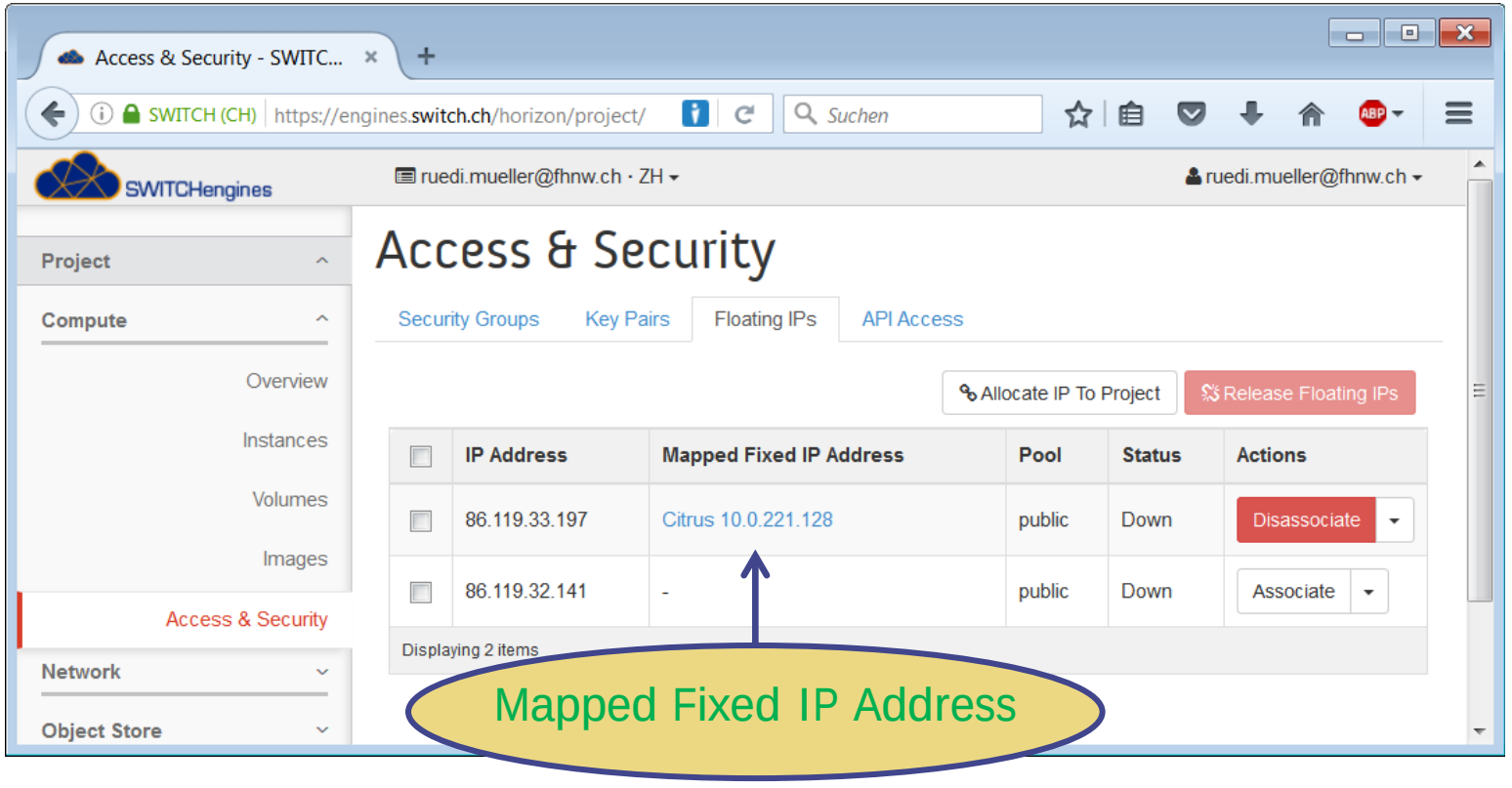


- Associate via Port to be associated
- *Associate*

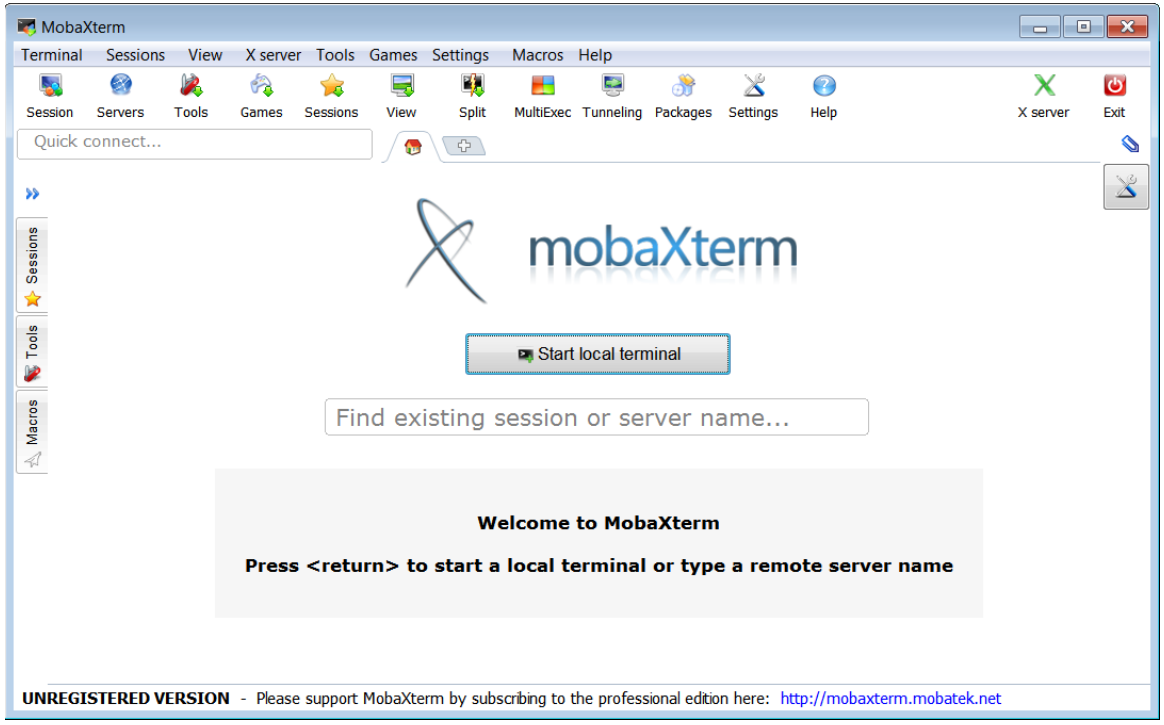
Successful Association



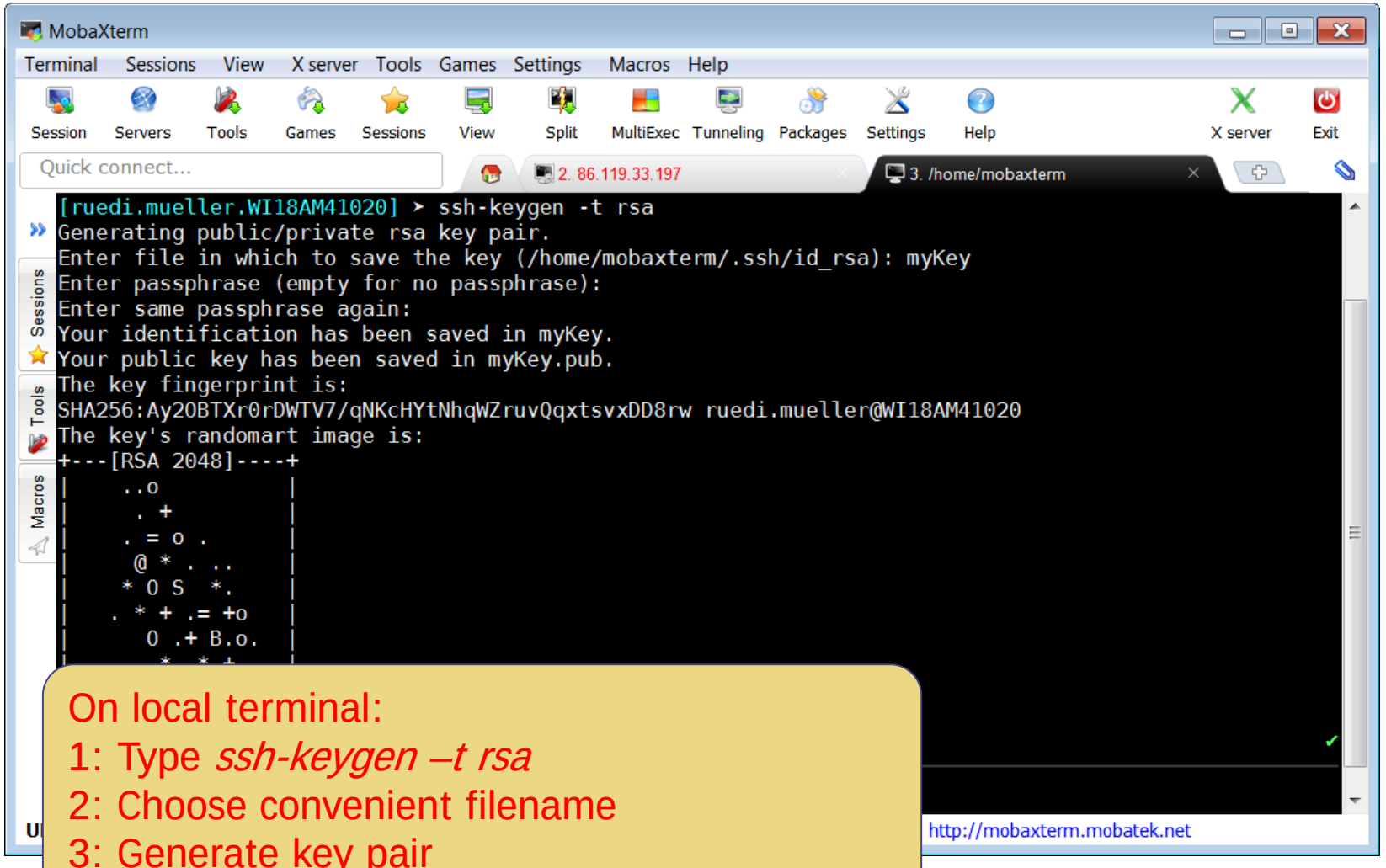
The Network Topology won't reflect this association (yet). The association is shown in *Compute>Instances* though.

Communication from PC/WinOS with VM/Ubuntu

- Used client software:
  MobaXterm Home Edition
  http://mobaxterm.mobatek.net/download.html



Generate an SSH Key Pair



On local terminal:

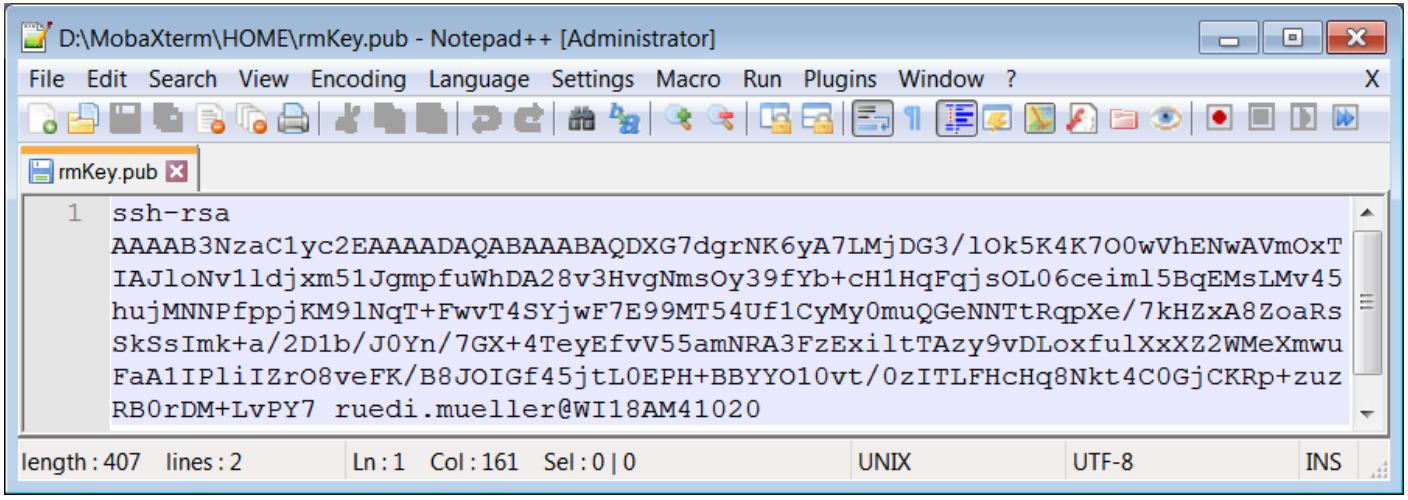
1: Type *ssh-keygen –t rsa*

2: Choose convenient filename

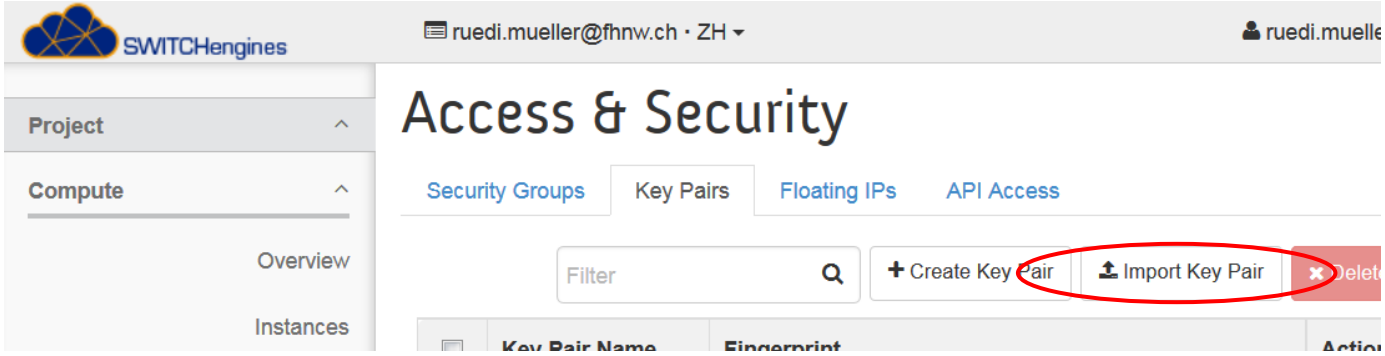
3: Generate key pair

How to generate an SSH Key Pair

- Have your public key contents ready



- Press Import Key Pair



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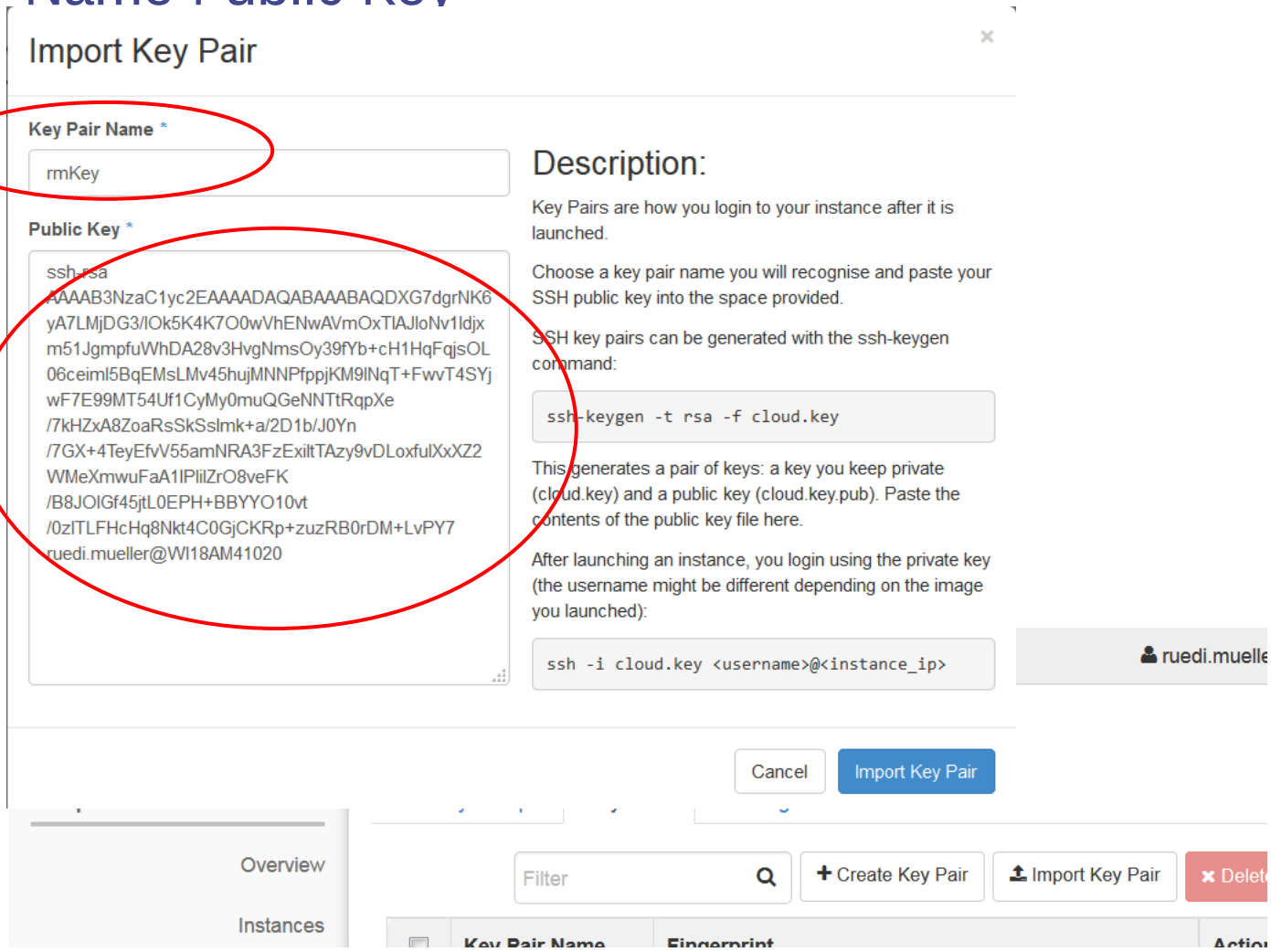


Communication from PC/WinOS with VM/Ubuntu

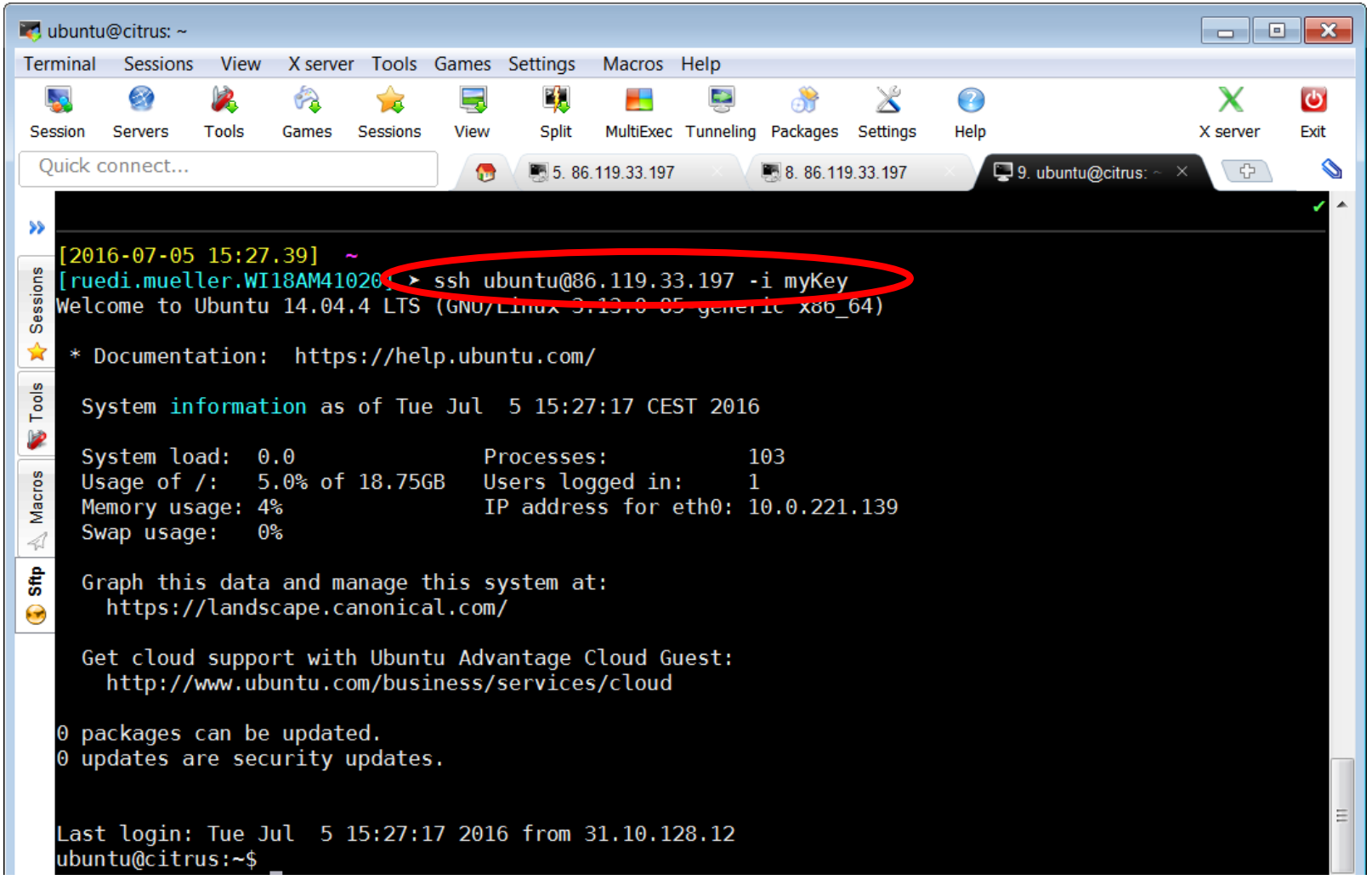
Basic SSH settings

- *Session>SSH*
- *Remote host*: <Floating IP>
  (IP to connect to your VM/Ubuntu)
- *Specify username*: ubuntu

Advanced SSH settings

- Use private key: <path\filename>

SSH from local terminal



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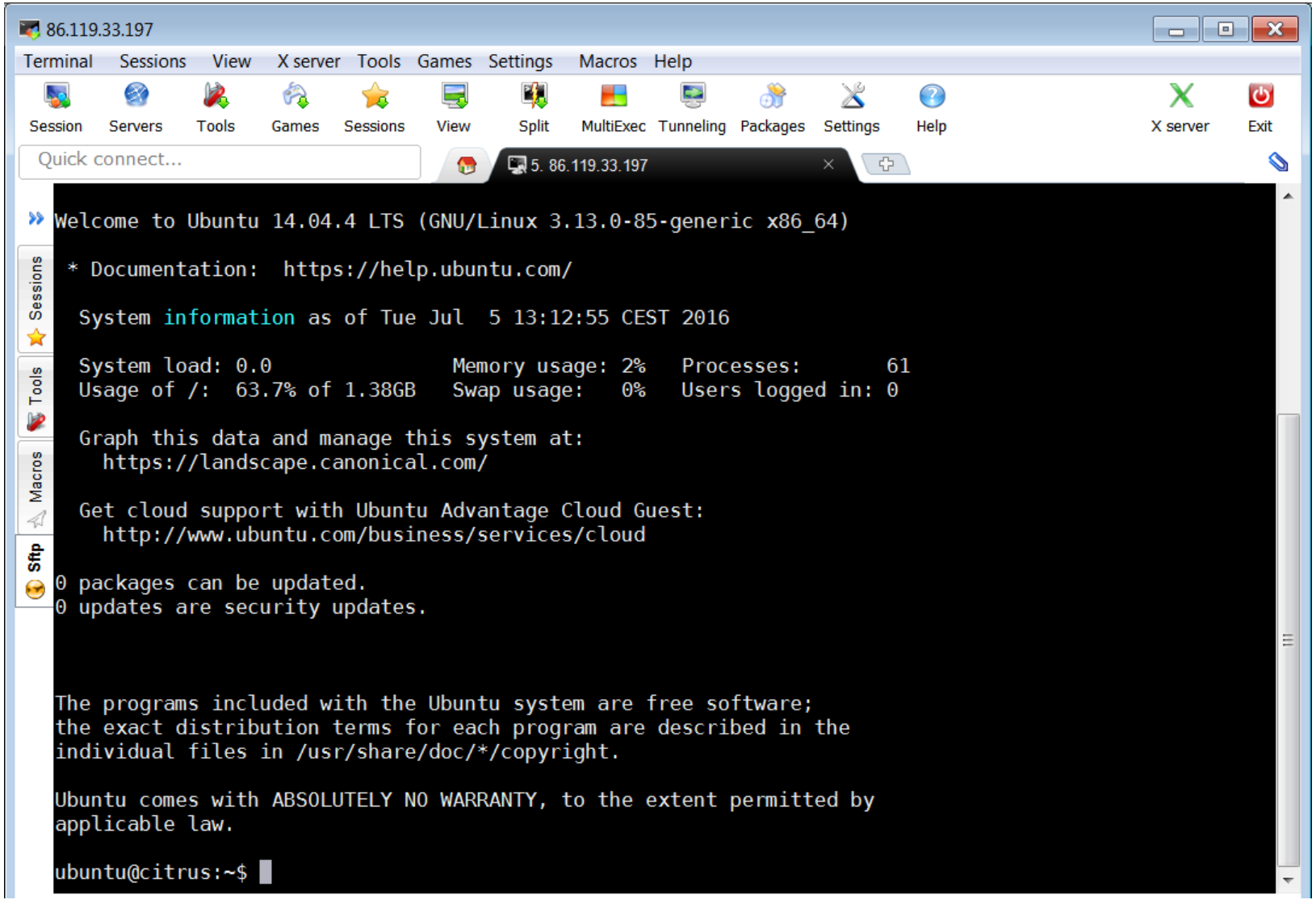
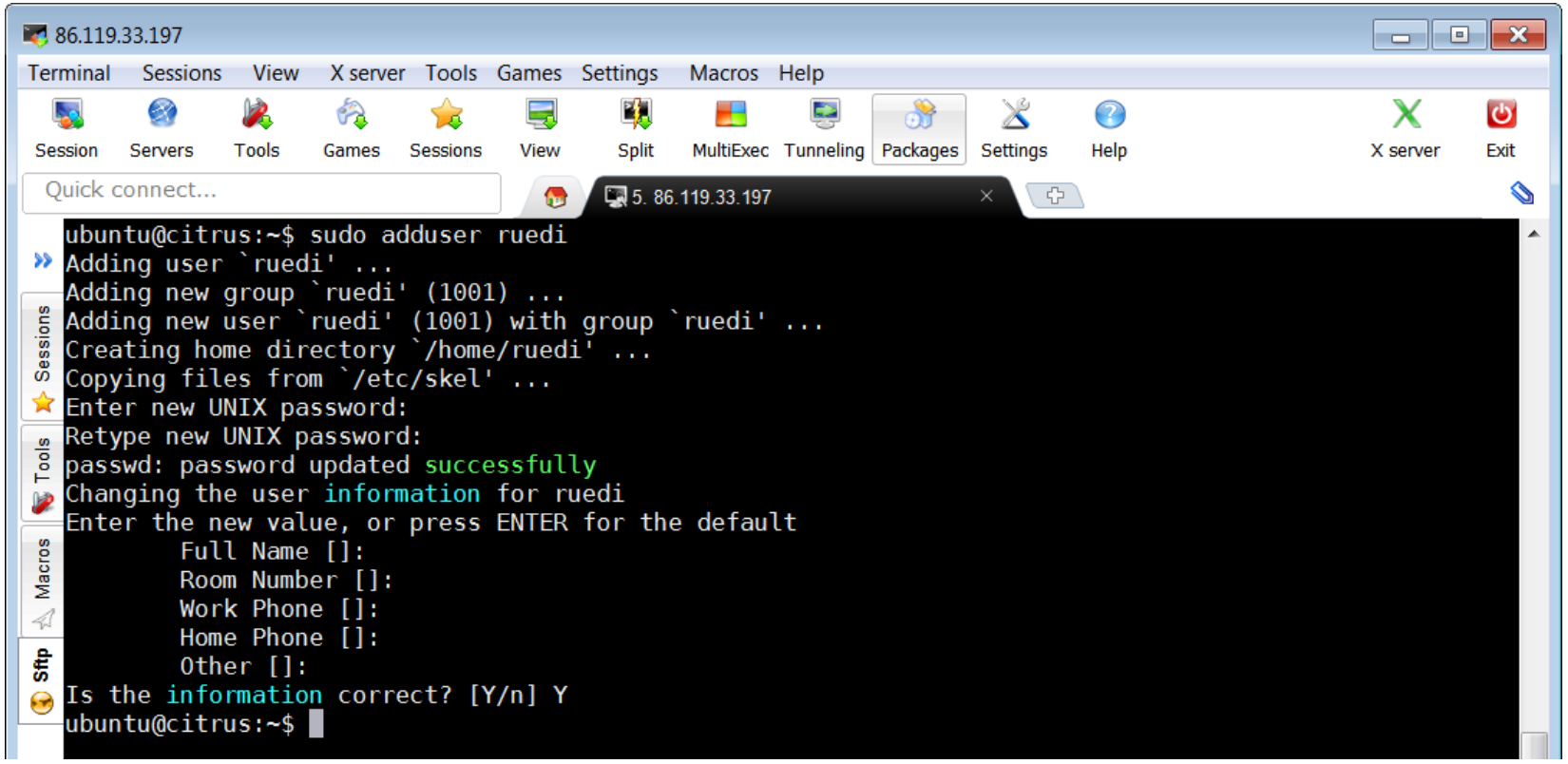


Add a user



https://help.ubuntu.com/lts/serverguide/user-management.html