

# X.509 Login Handler

- The *x509-login-handler* provides an X.509 user certificate login (authentication) using SSL client authentication by the certificate within a users web browser.
- The *x509-login-handler* can be used as an alternative to or in conjunction with the *UsernamePasswordLoginHandler*.
- The *x509-login-handler* implements an authentication handler for the Shibboleth IdP, propagates the **subject** to the IdP and set the authentication context class "*urn:oasis:names:tc:SAML:2.0:ac:classes:X509*".

## Installation and configuration

### Download

Either download the latest release of the X.509 login handler for Shibboleth from the project site:

<https://forge.switch.ch/redmine/projects/x509-handler/files>

or alternatively, get the latest source code from trunk:

#### Get latest code from trunk

```
svn export https://subversion.switch.ch/svn/general/aai/java-idp-x509-login-handler/trunk/ java-idp-x509-login-handler
cd java-idp-x509-login-handler
mvn package
```

### Installation

Locate the x509-login-handler JAR file and copy it to the library directory of the Shibboleth Identity Provider installation directory.

```
cp x509-login-handler-X.Y.Z.jar $IDP_INSTALL_DIR/lib
```

### Configuration

#### Login pages

You will want to edit the login pages for the X.509 login. It is also possible to add an X.509 login button on the Username/Password login page.

#### Certificate only login

- You can use [java-idp-x509-login-handler/examples/x509-login.jsp](#) as an example.
- Adjust the form action URLs.
- Place the modified file in the Identity Provider webapp directory `$IDP_INSTALL_DIR/src/main/webapp/`

#### Certificate login included in UsernamePassword login page

- You can use [java-idp-x509-login-handler/examples/login.jsp](#) as an example.
- Adjust the form action URLs.
- Place it in the Identity Provider webapp directory `$IDP_INSTALL_DIR/src/main/webapp/` (**Backup your original login.jsp before this step!**)

**Caution:** This may result in unexpected behaviour of the IdP from the perspective of the SP if it specifically required username/password authentication method and the user logs in with x509 authentication method.

#### Web application

Enable the the X.509 login servlets in `$IDP_INSTALL_DIR/src/main/webapp/WEB-INF/web.xml`:

```

<webapp>
  <!-- ... -->
  <!-- X509 login handler -->
  <servlet>
    <servlet-name>X509LoginHandler</servlet-name>
    <servlet-class>ch.SWITCH.aai.idp.x509.X509LoginHandler</servlet-class>
  </servlet>

  <servlet-mapping>
    <servlet-name>X509LoginHandler</servlet-name>
    <url-pattern>/Authn/X509</url-pattern>
  </servlet-mapping>

  <servlet>
    <servlet-name>X509LoginServlet</servlet-name>
    <servlet-class>ch.SWITCH.aai.idp.x509.X509LoginServlet</servlet-class>
  </servlet>

  <servlet-mapping>
    <servlet-name>X509LoginServlet</servlet-name>
    <url-pattern>/Authn/X509/Login</url-pattern>
  </servlet-mapping>

  <!-- x509 login page -->
  <servlet>
    <servlet-name>x509_jsp</servlet-name>
    <jsp-file>/x509-login.jsp</jsp-file>
  </servlet>

  <servlet-mapping>
    <servlet-name>x509_jsp</servlet-name>
    <url-pattern>/x509-login</url-pattern>
  </servlet-mapping>
  <!-- ... -->
</webapp>

```

## Apache configuration

```

<Location /idp/Authn/X509/Login>
  SSLCertificateFile /etc/ssl/certs/client-authn.crt
  SSLVerifyClient require
  SSLVerifyDepth 5
  SSLOptions -StdEnvVars +ExportCertData
  SSLRequire ( %{SSL_CLIENT_I_DN_CN} eq "Example Organization Personal CA" and \
    %{SSL_CLIENT_I_DN_O} eq "Example Organization" and \
    %{SSL_CLIENT_S_DN_Email} =~ m/^.+@example\.org$/ )
</Location>

```

## Handler configuration

In `$IDP_CONFIG_DIR/handler.xml`, add the xsd schema in the `<ProfileHandlerGroup>` and the login handler:

```

<ProfileHandlerGroup xmlns="urn:mace:shibboleth:2.0:idp:profile-handler" xmlns:x509="http://www.switch.ch/aai/idp/x509"
    xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
    xsi:schemaLocation="urn:mace:shibboleth:2.0:idp:profile-handler
        classpath:/schema/shibboleth-2.0-idp-profile-handler.xsd
        http://www.switch.ch/aai/idp/x509 classpath:/schema/x509-login-handler.xsd">
    <!-- ... -->
    <!-- Login Handlers -->
    <!-- X509 Login Handler -->
    <!-- configuration attributes: -->
    <!-- loginPageURL (required): URL of JSP page with login form -->
    <!-- authenticationServletURL (required): Client AuthN protected page -->
    <!-- cookieDomain (optional): set domain of login context cookie for -->
    <!--     spetic environments, e.g. if authenticationServlet runs under -->
    <!--     a different domain name than the IdP -->
    <LoginHandler xsi:type="x509:X509"
        loginPageURL="/x509-login"
        authenticationServletURL="/Authn/X509/Login">
        <AuthenticationMethod>
            urn:oasis:names:tc:SAML:2.0:ac:classes:X509
        </AuthenticationMethod>
    </LoginHandler>
    <!-- ... -->
</ProfileHandlerGroup>

```

## Attribute resolver configuration

In \$IDP\_CONFIG\_DIR/attribute-resolver.xml:

- add new attribute definitions to extract the principal from the certificate
- add dependency on the attributes and filter in data connector

```

<AttributeResolver>
  <!-- Provides the subjectDN from the certificate as attribute -->
  <resolver:AttributeDefinition xsi:type="Script"
    xmlns="urn:mace:shibboleth:2.0:resolver:ad"
    dependencyOnly="true"
    id="x500Principal">
    <Script><![CDATA[
      importPackage(Packages.edu.internet2.middleware.shibboleth.common.attribute.provider);
      importPackage(Packages.java.security.auth.x500);

      x500Principal = new BasicAttribute("x500Principal");
      subject = requestContext.getUserSession().getSubject();
      if (subject != null) {
        x500Principal.getValues().addAll(subject.getPrincipals(X500Principal("").getClass()));
      }
    ]]></Script>

  </resolver:AttributeDefinition>

  <!-- Provides the subjectAltNames of type rfc822Name from the certificate as attribute -->
  <resolver:AttributeDefinition xsi:type="Script"
    xmlns="urn:mace:shibboleth:2.0:resolver:ad"
    dependencyOnly="true"
    id="x500SubjectAltNameEMailPrincipal">
    <Script><![CDATA[
      importPackage(Packages.edu.internet2.middleware.shibboleth.common.attribute.provider);
      importPackage(Packages.ch.SWITCH.aai.idp.x509.principals);

      x500SubjectAltNameEMailPrincipal = new BasicAttribute("x500SubjectAltNameEMailPrincipal");
      subject = requestContext.getUserSession().getSubject();
      if (subject != null) {
        x500SubjectAltNameEMailPrincipal.getValues().addAll(subject.getPrincipals(EMailPrincipal("").
getClass()));
      }
    ]]></Script>

  </resolver:AttributeDefinition>

  ...

  <resolver:DataConnector id="myLDAP" xsi:type="LDAPDirectory" ... >
    <resolver:Dependency ref="x500Principal" />
    <resolver:Dependency ref="x500SubjectAltNameEMailPrincipal" />
    <!-- Example for using X.509 in conjunction with UsernamePassword Login Handler
      Using CN or one of the provided E-Mail addresses -->
    <FilterTemplate><![CDATA[
      #if( !$x500Principal.Empty )
        #set( $dn = $x500Principal.get(0).name.split(",") )
        #foreach( $item in $dn )
          #if( $item.startsWith("CN=") )
            #set( $cn = $item.substring(3) )
          #end
        #end

        ( | #foreach($mail in $x500SubjectAltNameEMailPrincipal) (mail=$mail) #end #if($cn) (cn=$cn)
#end)

      #else
        (uid=$requestContext.principalName)
      #end
    ]]></FilterTemplate>
  </resolver:DataConnector>

  ...

</AttributeResolver>

```

## Logging configuration

In `$IDP_CONFIG_DIR/logging.xml`, add logging configuration for the x509 login handler:

```
<!-- ... -->
<!-- Logs X.509 LoginHandler messages -->
<logger name="ch.SWITCH.aai.idp.x509">
  <level value="WARN"/>
</logger>
<!-- ... -->
```

## Deployment

Backup your IdP configuration before re-deploying the IdP web app

```
$IDP_INSTALL_DIR/install.sh
```

## Bugs & Comments

Please reports bugs on the [X.509 login handler issue tracker](#) or send comments to [aai@switch.ch](mailto:aai@switch.ch).