

Overview

Tiki17 and later can be a SAML Service Provider (SP), thanks to the integration of OneLogin's SAML PHP Toolkit.

Up to Tiki23, it requires installation via Packages. Starting in Tiki24, it is built-in.

When setting up Tiki as a SAML Service Provider, you would need to provide to the IdP the URLs for assertion consumer service, and single logout service (if used). These are : http<your site baseurl>/tiki-login.php?saml_acs and http<your site baseurl>/tiki-login.php?saml_sls respectively.

Option	Description	Default
Enable SAML Auth		Disabled
IdP Entity Id	Identifier of the IdP entity ("Issuer")	None
Single sign-on service URL	SSO endpoint info of the IdP, the URL target of the IdP where the SP will send the Authentication Request ("SAML 2.0 Endpoint (HTTP)")	None
Single log-out service URL	SLO endpoint info of the IdP, the URL target of the IdP where the SP will send the SLO Request ("SLO Endpoint (HTTP)")	None
X.509 certificate	Public x509 certificate of the IdP. ("X.509 certificate")	None
Create user if not registered in Tiki	Auto-provisioning - if the user doesn't exist, Tiki will create a new user with the data provided by the IdP. Review the Mapping section.	None
Sync user group with IdP data	This should be enabled to sync groups with the IdP.	None
Enable Single Logout Service	The "logout" function logs out the user from the Tiki site, the identity provider and all connected service providers	None
Use Tiki authentication for Admin log-in	The user "admin" will be authenticated by only using Tiki's user database. This option has no effect on users other than "admin".	Enabled
Account matcher	Select the field to be used to find the user account. If the "email" field is selected, keep in mind that if users change their email address, then the link with the IdP account will be lost. i≡ Username Email	Email
Default group	When provisioning a new user and not group found, assign that group	Registered
Log-in link text	The text that appears on the log-in page	Log in through SAML2 IdP
SAML attribute that will be mapped to the Tiki username	The SAML attribute that will be mapped to the Tiki username.	None

Option	Description	Default
SAML attribute that will be mapped to the Tiki email	The SAML attribute that will be mapped to the Tiki email.	None
SAML attribute that will be mapped to the Tiki group	The SAML attribute that will be mapped to the Tiki email. For example the eduPersonAffiliation	None
Admins	Set here the values of the IdP related to the user group info that will be matched with the Admins group.	None
Registered	Set here the values of the IdP related to the user group info that will be matched with the Registered group.	None
Debug Mode	Enable debug mode when your are debugging the SAML workflow. Errors and warnings will be showed	None
Strict Mode	Always enable strict mode on production websites. When strict mode is enabled, then Tiki will reject unsigned or unencrypted messages if it expects them to be signed or encrypted. Also Tiki will reject messages that do not strictly follow the SAML standard: Destination, NameId, Conditions are also validated.	None
Service Provider Entity ID	Set the Entity ID for the service provider. It is recommended to set as the SP Entity ID the URL where the metadata of the service provider is published. If not provided, the toolkit will use "php-saml" as the SP entityID.	None
Requested NameIDFormat	Specifies constraints on the name identifier to be used to represent the requested subject. image: urn:oasis:names:tc:SAML:1.1:nameid-format:unspecified urn:oasis:names:tc:SAML:1.1:nameid-format:emailAddress urn:oasis:names:tc:SAML:1.1:nameid-format:X509SubjectName urn:oasis:names:tc:SAML:2.0:nameid-format:entity urn:oasis:names:tc:SAML:2.0:nameid-format:transient urn:oasis:names:tc:SAML:2.0:nameid-format:persistent urn:oasis:names:tc:SAML:2.0:nameid-format:persistent urn:oasis:names:tc:SAML:2.0:nameid-format:persistent urn:oasis:names:tc:SAML:2.0:nameid-format:persistent urn:oasis:names:tc:SAML:2.0:nameid-format:persistent urn:oasis:names:tc:SAML:2.0:nameid-format:persistent urn:oasis:names:tc:SAML:2.0:nameid-format:persistent	urn:oasis:names:tc:SAML:1.1
Requested AuthnContext	Authentication context: unselect all to accept any type, otherwise select the valid contexts. \equiv urn:oasis:names:tc:SAML:2.0:ac:classes:unspecified urn:oasis:names:tc:SAML:2.0:ac:classes:Password urn:oasis:names:tc:SAML:2.0:ac:classes:PasswordProtectedTransport urn:oasis:names:tc:SAML:2.0:ac:classes:X509 urn:oasis:names:tc:SAML:2.0:ac:classes:Smartcard urn:oasis:names:tc:SAML:2.0:ac:classes:Kerberos urn:federation:authentication:windows	urn:oasis:names:tc:SAML:2.0
Encrypt nameID		None
Sign AuthnRequest	The samlp:AuthnRequest messages sent by this SP will be signed	None

Option	Description	Default
Sign LogoutRequest	The samlp:logoutRequest messages sent by this SP will be signed	None
Sign LogoutResponse	The samlp:logoutResponse messages sent by this SP will be signed	None
Sign Metadata	The Metadata published by this SP will be signed	None
Reject Unsigned Messages	Reject unsigned samlp:Response, samlp:LogoutRequest and samlp:LogoutResponse received	None
Reject Unsigned Assertions	Reject unsigned saml:Assertion received	None
Reject Unencrypted Assertions	Reject unencrypted saml:Assertion received	None
Retrieve Parameters From Server	Sometimes when the app is behind a firewall or proxy, the query parameters can be modified an this affects the signature validation process on HTTP-Redirect binding. Active this when you noticed signature validation failures, the plugin will try to extract the original query parameters.	None
Service Provider X.509 certificate	Public x509 certificate of the SP	None
Service Provider Private Key	Private key of the SP	None
Signature Algorithm	Algorithm that the toolkit will use on the signing process i≡ http://www.w3.org/2000/09/xmldsig#rsa-sha1 http://www.w3.org/2001/04/xmldsig-more#rsa-sha256 http://www.w3.org/2001/04/xmldsig-more#rsa-sha384 http://www.w3.org/2001/04/xmldsig-more#rsa-sha512 http://www.w3.org/2000/09/xmldsig#dsa-sha1	http://www.w3.org/2000/09/x
Enable Lowercase URL encoding	Some IdPs such as ADFS can use lowercase URL encoding, but the plugin expects uppercase URL encoding, so enable it to fix incompatibility issues	None

Wikipedia wrote:

Security Assertion Markup Language (SAML) is an XML-based, open-standard data format for exchanging authentication and authorization data between parties, in particular, between an identity provider and a service provider.

The single most important requirement that SAML addresses is web browser single sign-on (SSO). Single sign-on is common at the intranet level (using cookies, for example) but extending it beyond the intranet has been problematic and has led to the proliferation of non-interoperable proprietary technologies. (Another more recent approach to addressing the browser SSO problem is the OpenID Connect protocol.)

Source: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Security_Assertion_Markup_Language 🛃

Related links

- See also Tiki as a SAML IDP
- https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Identity_provider
- https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Security_Assertion_Markup_Language