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Introduction

About This Guide

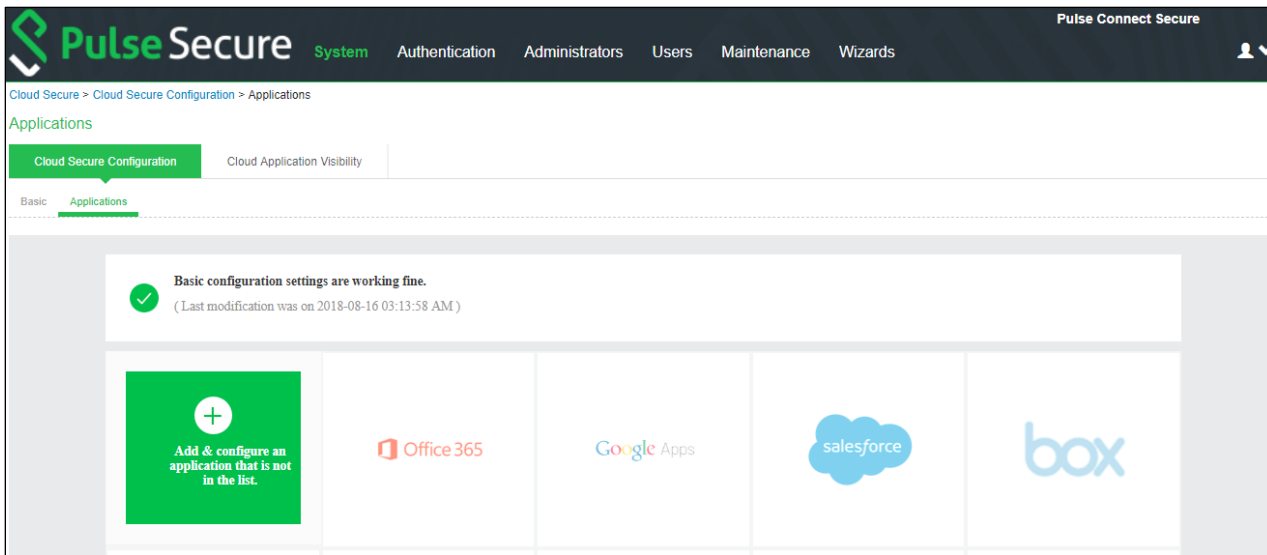
This document describes how to enable SAML configuration on Box cloud service and configuration of Box Service Provider on Pulse Connect Secure to provide Secure Single Sign-on access to Box users. This document does not cover basic configurations on Pulse Connect Secure (PCS) and Pulse Workspace (PWS) Server which are required to be enabled before configuring Service Provider specific configurations outlined in this document.

Pulse Connect Secure Configuration

For basic configurations details, refer to the following sections:

- [Configuring Pulse Connect Secure - Basic Configurations \(Mandatory\)](#)
- [Configuring Pulse Workspace](#)

The Admin can configure the Box Cloud Applications as Peer SP once the basic configurations are completed. The Box application is available with some pre-populated application settings for ease of configuration.



To configure Box application:

1. Click the **Box** icon to configure the application.
2. Under Cloud Application Settings:
 - a. Enter the application name.
 - b. Click Browse and select the application icon.
 - c. Select the Subject Name Format =Email Address.
 - d. Enter the Subject Name.
 - e. Select the manual configuration for metadata details and provide the necessary details (Entity ID and ACS URL).
 - f. (Optional) Set **Create Bookmark** to **Yes** to support IdP initiated SSO.
 - g. Set the Force Authentication Behaviour to **Reject AuthnRequest**.
 - h. Set Signature Algorithm to Sha-1 or Sha-256.
3. Under **User Access settings**, assign the application to applicable roles.
4. Click OK.

Figure 1 Box Application

Cloud Secure > Cloud Secure Configuration > Applications > Application Configuration

Application Configuration

Cloud Secure Configuration | Cloud Application Visibility

Basic | Applications

+ Configure 'Box' application for Cloud Secure
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Enable Directory Server lookup
LDAP server for fetching additional attributes that needs to be sent as part of SAML Attribute statements.

Cloud Application Settings
(Few of the below settings are pre-populated based on the application)

Application Name	Box
Application Icon	Browse cs-box.png Preview
Subject Name Format	Email Address
Subject Name	<USERNAME>@<DOMAIN>
Metadata Details	<input type="radio"/> From Local File <input type="radio"/> From Remote URL <input checked="" type="radio"/> Manual configuration
Entity Id	box.net
Assertion Consumer Service URL	https://sso.services.box.net/sp/ACS.saml2
Create Bookmark	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No
Force Authentication Behavior	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Reject AuthnRequest <input type="radio"/> Re-Authenticate <input type="radio"/> Ignore Re-Authentication
Signature Algorithm	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Sha-1 <input type="radio"/> Sha-256

[View Blocked ECP Requests](#)

Enhanced Client or Proxy Profile (ECP) Settings

Detect duplicate ECP requests
Enable detection of Duplicate ECP requests and stop them from sending to backend authentication server.

SAML Customization settings

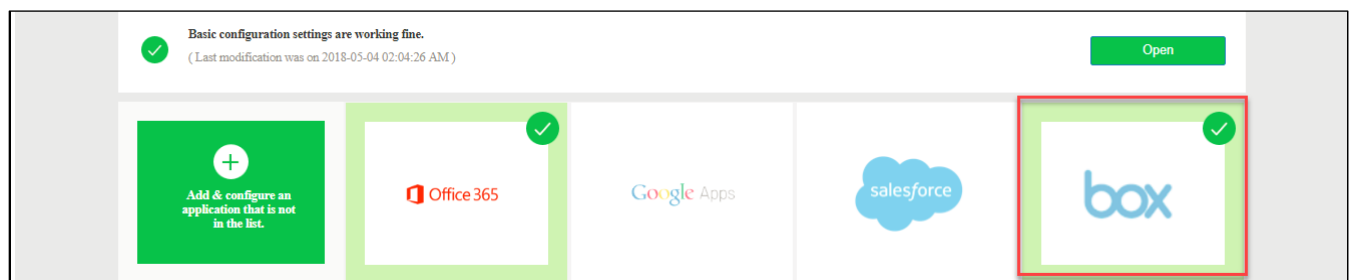
Customize SAML attributes
Attributes to be sent in SAML Attribute Statements can be configured as name-value pairs and/or to be fetched from configured LDAP directory server.

User Access settings

Select All Roles (Show Roles)
Allow access to the application only if the user belongs to below selected roles.

The following screen with a green tick mark on the Box application is displayed after a successful configuration.

Figure 2 Box Configuration Completed



Box Configuration

Box should be enabled as SAML Service Provider for supporting Single Sign-On. Unlike most other cloud services, admin is not provided with the option to configure Box SP. You need to submit a case with Box for any SP side configuration once you have Box Business account. To submit SSO configuration request on Box SP, log in to your Box account and file a case with Box support at https://community.box.com/t5/custom/page/page-id/submit_sso_questionnaire

Fill the form with following details:

- Leave default value in the **Subject** field.
- Select **Yes** or **No** for **Do you have a Box Consulting package?** ('No' in most cases).
- Provide Box domain in the **Company Box domain** field (Example: <https://pulsesecure3.app.box.com>).
- Select **Other with metadata** for **Who is your Identity Provider?**
- In the Required Information section, click **Choose File** and browse to your Pulse Connect Secure (PCS) Metadata file. To download PCS SAML Metadata:
 - Log in to PCS admin console.
 - Navigate to **Authentication > Signing In > Sign-in SAML > Metadata Provider**, and click **Download Metadata**.
- Provide 'emailAddress' in the **SAML Attribute: User's Email:** field.
- Submit the request.
- Mention in the request as a comment that SP should be configured to look for SAML_SUBJECT attribute in SAML Assertion as PCS sends email property in SAML_SUBJECT.

Once the request is submitted, Box support team will get back on options you would like to be enabled on your account:

- SSO Required
- SSO auto-provisioning (users who authenticate through your SSO provider, but do not have a Box account will have one automatically created for them)
- Auto roll-in (users who try to sign up for a free Box account with your company's email domain will be prompted to join your company's enterprise; only possible if SSO auto-provisioning is also enabled)

You can choose to have all the options enabled.



Note: It may take up to 3 weeks to process the request for SSO setup if you do not have an active consulting package.

End-User Flow on Mobile Devices

Once the administrator completes the Box configurations and creates a new user in Pulse Workspace, user has to follow below steps to register iOS/Android mobile device with Pulse Workspace and get seamless secure Single Sign-On access to Box Application.

1. User receives Welcome Mail with registration details.
2. Follow the instructions in the mail and register the user device.
3. Once the registration of mobile device with Pulse Workspace is successful, configured profile will get installed on the device along with VPN certificate.
4. Install Box managed application when prompted.
5. Install Pulse Client on the mobile device. VPN profile will get configured automatically on Pulse Client.
6. On Android devices, open Pulse Client and establish VPN connection manually. VPN tunnel will automatically get established on iOS devices when managed application configured with Per App VPN is accessed.
7. Access Box Application: select **Use Single Sign On (SSO)** and provide Box email address.
8. With Single Sign-On, user will get access to the Box domain.

End-User Flow on Desktops

Once the administrator completes the Box configurations, user can access Box domain through browser or thick application from Windows/MAC OS X Desktops. Follow the below steps to enable Secure Single Sign-On browser-based/thick app based access to Box Cloud Service.

1. Launch Pulse Client and establish a VPN session with PCS
2. Open any web browser on the desktop, access Box domain and provide Box email address or access Box thick application and provide Box email address.
 - o If user has an existing VPN session, 'Re-use existing Pulse Session' will kick in. The PCS will send SAML response to Box SP and user will be granted access to Box Cloud Service.
 - o If user did not establish Pulse VPN session as mentioned in Step 1, then the user will be redirected to Pulse Connect Secure user login page or user will be prompted to select user certificate for authentication depending on the PCS configuration. Once authenticated, PCS will send SAML response to Box SP and user will be granted access to Box Cloud Service.

Troubleshooting

Single Sign-On for a Box user can fail due to configuration issues on Pulse Connect Secure, Box Service Provider, Pulse Mobile Client or Pulse Workspace.

To troubleshoot issues with Single Sign-On:

- On PCS, under **Maintenance > Troubleshooting**, enable the event codes – “saml, auth” at level “50” and collect debug logs. Enable **Policy Tracing** and capture the Policy traces for the specific user.
- Check **System > Log/Monitoring > User Access > Log for SAML AuthNRequest and Response** for the specific user. Verify if **Subject Name** is proper in the SAML Response.
- On mobile device, open Pulse Client and Send Logs to your administrator.
- If user receives ‘Invalid login credentials’ error while trying to do SSO with Box account even though PCS successfully sent SAML response, this could be an issue with SAML Configuration on Box SP (if Box configuration mentioned in last step of the details to be filled in the form for filing a request to set up SSO is not done). Box SP looks for the ‘emailaddress’ attribute in SAML Assertion. PCS sends email property in SAML_SUBJECT. To resolve this issue, SP should be configured to look for SAML_SUBJECT attribute in SAML Assertion. Submit a request with Box support for this configuration change.

Figure 3 Invalid Login Credentials

