

1.1 The objective of the audit

The Population Register Centre in Finland issues server certificates to identify the service provider in on-line services. They can be used for identifying public sector services. Using a server certificate lets the user of a service verify the authenticity of the service provider.

1.2 Auditor

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1.3 Audit implementation

In the audit 13 – 15.06.2012 the auditor has studied the certificate policy and the certificate practice and interviewed the key personnel besides observing the work processes and carrying out other control procedures.

The following changes in the certificate policy have been made since the previous audit in 2010:

- The Population Register Centre issues certificates only to IPs or domain names dedicated for services provided by a public authority
- Verification of certificate applications is enhanced using Virre Information Service
- Private IP addresses / names are not accepted

The examination was conducted in accordance with ETSI TS 102 042 V2.1.2 and CEN CWA 14172-2. The auditor has also studied the audit reports of the Finnish Communications Regulatory Authority (FICORA) concerning the issue of qualified certificates by the Population Register Centre in Finland. From the study and interviews the auditor has concluded that the procedures used for the server certificates are the same as for the qualified certificates.

1.4 Auditor's decision

I have audited the description and the operation of the server certificates issued by the Population Register Centre in Finland. I think that the scope of my audit gives sufficient basis for expression of opinion regarding the mentioned procedure.

I am of the opinion that the Population Register Centre in Finland server certificate operations and the systems used in the operations meet the requirements expressed in the Certificate Policy for a service certificate OID 1.2.246.517.1.10.4 and can be considered trustworthy.

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