
SEB Server User Guide

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CHAPTER 1

About

The Safe Exam Browser Server web application simplifies and centralizes the configuration of Safe Exam Browser clients for exams. It interacts with a learning management or exam system for setting up and conducting e-assessments with Safe Exam Browser. It also improves security by allowing to monitor connected Safe Exam Browser clients in real time during e-assessments.

What is Safe Exam Browser (SEB)?

[Safe Exam Browser \(SEB\)](#) is an application to carry out e-assessments safely. The freeware application is available for Windows, macOS and iOS. It turns any computer temporarily into a secure workstation. It controls access to resources like system functions, other websites and applications and prevents unauthorized resources being used during an exam. Safe Exam Browser can work with Open edX to control what a student can access during a Open edX quiz attempt. With the SEB Open edX plugin you activate the SEB support in Open edX and now only students using an approved version of SEB and the correct settings will be able to access the quiz in your Open edX course. The Safe Exam Browser is offered under a Mozilla Public License and supported by the [SEB Consortium](#).

What is Safe Exam Browser Server (SEB Server)?

While the interaction with SEB is well known in Learning Management Systems (LMS) like [Open edX](#), [Moodle](#) etc. the SEB Server is an entirely new component to set up secured online exams. It interacts with the assessments system/LMS as well as with SEB on exam clients. It supports exam scenarios on student owned devices (BYOD) and on managed devices.

SEB Server is a modern webservice with a REST API and a GUI service on top of it. SEB Server is written in Java and uses Docker for installation and setup.

SEB Server provides a range of basic functionalities:

- Built-in institutional multitenancy
- Linking of multiple Learning Management Systems (LMS). Currently supported: [Open edX](#)
- Accessing the Course/Exam-API of a linked LMS to import a courses or exams for managing with SEB Server
- Creation and administration of SEB Client Configurations that can be used to startup a SEB and that contains SEB Server connection information for a SEB Client
- Creation and administration of SEB Exam Configurations that can be bound to an imported Exam to automatically configure a SEB Client that connects to an exam that is managed by SEB Server
- Automated SEB restriction on LMS side if the specified type of LMS supports the SEB restriction API
- Monitoring and administration of SEB Client connections within a running exam

The image below shows a very simplified diagram that locates the SEB Server in a setup with a Learning Management System (LMS) and the Safe Exam Browser (SEB). The SEB Server communicates with the LMS for managing and prepare exams as well as with the SEB Client to ensure a more automated and secure setup for high-stake exams.

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SEB - SEB Server Compatibility

The table below shows available and upcoming SEB client versions that has SEB Server integration support and are compatible with particular SEB Server version. There is an entry for each platform with a beta or testing release date and a official release date.

SEB Server Version 1.0.X

Platform / OS	Beta/RC Version	Release Version
SEB Client for iOS	22. April 2020 - Version 2.1.50	Q4 2020 - Version 2.3
SEB Client for Mac	Q4 2020 - Version 2.3	Q4 2020 - Version 2.3
SEB Client for Windows	Q2 2020 - Version 3.1	Q4 2020 - Version 3.1

For testing:

Note that these are all beta versions and must only be used for testing or demonstration.

[Download beta version of SEB Client iOS](#)

[Download Safe Exam Browser 3.1 for Windows](#)

CHAPTER 5

Install SEB Server

For a complete guide to install SEB Server please go to [SEB Server Installation Guide](#)

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Getting started with SEB Server

For a complete SEB Server user guide please go to [SEB Server User Guide](#)

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Project Background

The SEB Server is currently build and maintained by the [Swiss MOOC Service](#) that is founded by leading Swiss universities EPFL, ETH, SUPSI, USI and HES-SO and is financially supported by the [Swissuniversities' P5 program](#).

8.1 Table of Content

8.1.1 Overview

Safe Exam Browser Server (SEB Server) is a web-service application with the objective to help setting up and maintain e-assessments with [Safe Exam Browser \(SEB\)](#) in a centralized and more efficient manner. The SEB Server application can be used by an institution or organization as a self-maintained, lightweight server application to organize and setup their e-assessments. For an organization or institution that wants to provides safe e-assessments with [Safe Exam Browser](#), SEB Server can help to organize this e-assessments more effectively, safely and in one place. Furthermore SEB Server can be setup and run within a cloud infrastructure by general service provider to offer e-assessments with SEB and SEB Server as a service.

SEB Server comes with a built-in multi-tenancy functionality that allows to create and maintain institutions that are separated by each other. This is most convenient for smaller groups of organizations or institutions that want to have one self maintained SEB Server instance but need internal separation of institutions.

Since SEB Server is generally an administration tool, meaning used to do administration work and tasks to setup and maintain e-assessments, there is yet just a built-in and lightweight user-account management where users can register itself and get needed privileges assigned by already registered administrator users that has the privileges to maintain user accounts. Currently there is no possibility to register with a third party account and/or single sign on.

SEB Server is written mainly in Java and uses Docker for installation and setup. For more information about the architecture and installation, please go to [SEB Server Installation Guide](#)

The key features of SEB Server are:

- Built-in multi-tenancy capabilities. Create and manage institutions as separated clients.
- Lightweight user-account management where users can register itself and get needed privileges assigned by already registered administrator users that has the privileges to maintain user accounts.
- Track user activities within user-activity-logs for the whole SEB Server or the a client.
- Create, export and maintain SEB client configurations. Those are needed to startup a Safe Exam Browser client with and contain all information to connect securely to the SEB Server.

- Create and maintain SEB exam configurations. Those are sent to a SEB client on connection setup and contain all SEB settings for a particular e-assessment.
- Setup and maintain Learning Management Systems (LMS) like Open edX or Moodle to be able to navigate and find courses or quizzes on the LMS and to push access-restrictions to the LMS if supported by the LMS
- Import and maintain courses or quizzes from a LMS. Setup everything that is needed for an e-assessment that is based on a course or quiz from the LMS
- Apply indicators to the exams to indicate incidences while monitoring running e-assessments.
- Monitor running e-assessment and have an overview of all connected SEB clients. Manage SEB client connections and view logs sent by individual SEB clients.

Roles and Use-Cases

The SEB Server supports a simple role based privilege system where a role has read, modify and write privileges on certain domain entities. The privileges for a role are pre-defined and cannot be changed by a user. But roles can be combined for a user-account. A user-account for example can have the “Exam Administrator” and the “Exam Supporter” role active to be able to setup and support an exam (e-assessment) within one user-account.

Privileges for domain objects are categorized in read, modify and write rights. Write right includes creation and deletion grants as well as activation grants in addition to the more restrict modify right that only allows to modify already created entities. They are also categorized in overall, institutional and owner privileges where overall means for all entities, over all available institutions and institutional means only the entities that belongs to the own institution whereas owner-privilege means the creator or assigned owner of an entity.

There currently exists four different roles. This reflect a good separation of concern within the SEB Server application administration itself and the setup and maintaining work that has to be done for e-assessments with SEB. Below are the names and a short description of each role.

SEB Server Administrator

This role is primarily to administer the SEB Server application, to create new and maintain available institutions and user-accounts. In addition to that a SEB Server administrator also has overall read privileges for the most domains to be able to analyze problems and help others to solve them.

A typical use-case for a SEB Server administrator would be to create a new institution and an institutional administrator for this institution. Another use-case would be to maintain registered user accounts, to give more privileges. Or to entirely deactivate an existing user account.

Institutional Administrator

An institutional administrator has overall read access for its institution and is able to modify the institution properties as well as create new or maintain existing user-accounts for the belonging institution. Furthermore an institutional administrator is able to create and maintain learning management system (LMS) setups and SEB client-configurations for the belonging institution.

A typical use-case for a institutional administrator would be to give the appropriate roles and privileges to newly registered users of the institution. Or another use-case would be to create and maintain SEB client configurations for the institutions and setup and maintain learning management systems within the SEB Server and the belonging institution.

Exam Administrator

With this role a user is able to prepare an exam for an e-assessment with SEB. A exam administrator is able to view all courses from all learning management systems that are setup for the belonging institution and find a particular course to import this course as an exam within SEB Server. This role is also able to create and maintain SEB exam configurations that can then be assigned to an imported exam. After setting importing an exam, the role is able to

setup all aspects of an exam like automated restrictions, allowed supporter and monitoring indicator, to name a few, and prepare the exam for an e-assessment.

A typical use-case for an exam administrator would be to create a SEB exam configuration within the templating and configuration section. Then to find a particular course or quiz from the learning management systems that is defined within the institution. This course or quiz can then be imported by the administrator as an exam. After import an exam administrator is able to prepare this exam for run and monitoring by attaching a exam configuration to it, prepare indicators to monitor incidences and specify the SEB access-restriction conditions for the course or quiz.

Exam Supporter

This role is to support a running exam within SEB Server. An exam supporter is able to see the running exams on that he/she has an assignment and can open them either for monitoring or editing some exam attributes during the exam.

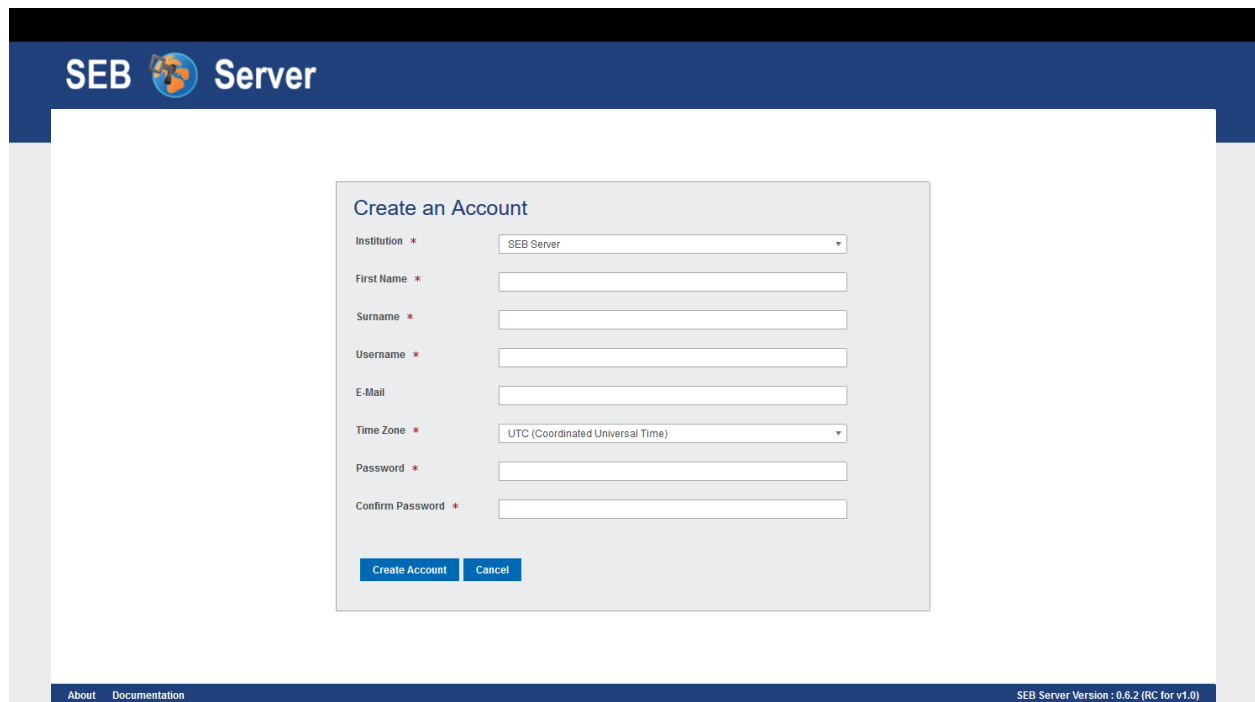
A typical use-case for an exam supporter would be when the time an exam is running, to overview the connecting SEB clients and manage them. While SEB server shows incidences or irregularities, a exam supporter can act on them and take the appropriate actions if needed.

Sign Up / Sign In

What one will see first when applying to a SEB server application is the login-screen

The screenshot displays the SEB Server login interface. At the top, a dark blue header bar contains the 'SEB Server' logo and text. Below this, a large white rectangular area serves as the background for the login form. The form itself is a light gray box centered on the page, containing two input fields labeled 'User Name' and 'Password'. Below these fields are two blue buttons: 'Sign In' and 'Register'. At the bottom of the page, a dark blue footer bar contains the text 'About' and 'Documentation' on the left, and 'SEB Server Version : 0.6.2 (RC for v1.0)' on the right.

If you are already registered you can use your username and password to log in. Or use the “Register” button to go the the register page to create a new user-account. The newly created user account will only have the Exam Supporter role assigned. If you need another role or more privileges, this must be given and granted by an institutional administrator of the belonging institution.



The screenshot shows the 'Create an Account' form within the SEB Server application. The form is titled 'Create an Account' and is set against a light gray background. It contains the following fields and controls:

- Institution ***: A dropdown menu with 'SEB Server' selected.
- First Name ***: A text input field.
- Surname ***: A text input field.
- Username ***: A text input field.
- E-Mail**: A text input field.
- Time Zone ***: A dropdown menu with 'UTC (Coordinated Universal Time)' selected.
- Password ***: A text input field.
- Confirm Password ***: A text input field.

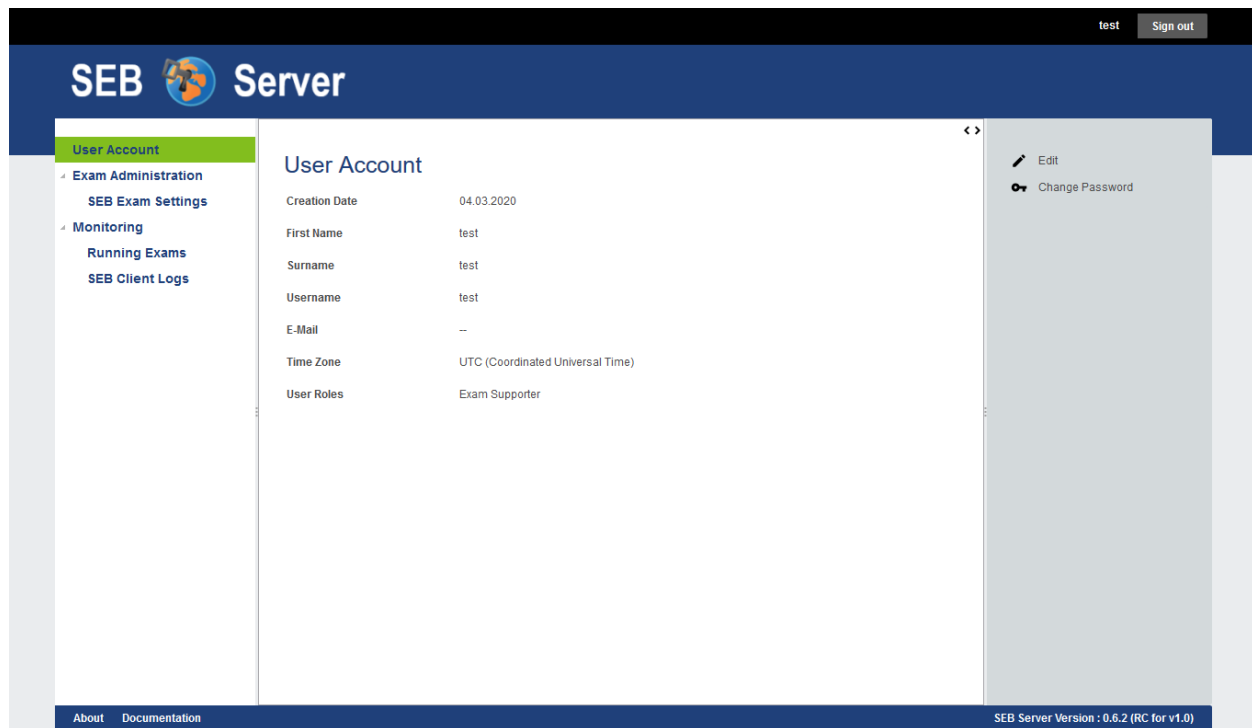
At the bottom of the form are two buttons: 'Create Account' (in blue) and 'Cancel' (in gray). The form is displayed within a larger window that has a dark blue header with the 'SEB Server' logo and a dark blue footer containing links for 'About' and 'Documentation', and the text 'SEB Server Version: 0.6.2 (RC for v1.0)'.

Fill in the register form and create a new account. After the user account has been successfully created, the application redirects to the login page for login. On the current version, e-mail confirmation is not a feature of the SEB Server application and therefore the e-mail address is just informative by now.

With the “Time Zone” you can choose a specific time zone for your user-account. All dates and times will then be showed within this time zone.

Graphical User Interface

After successful login, you will see the main graphical user interface of the SEB Server application. On the left hand are the activities that can be done, categorized within some few main sections with its relating activities underneath. By selecting a activity, the main content section will show the activity content and the action that are possible for this activity on the right hand side.



In the header above on the right hand, we see the username of the currently logged in user and an action button the sign out and go back to the login page.

The main content usually consist of a list or a form.

Lists

A list shows all the objects of a particular activity in a table page. A list has paging functionality and the list has more objects than fitting all on one page, a page navigation is shown at the bottom of the list with the information of the current page and the number of pages along with the page navigation that can be used to navigate forward and backward through the list pages.

Almost all lists have the ability to filter the content by certain column filter that are right above the corresponding columns. You can use the column filter input to filter the list and to narrow down a specific collection of content. Accordingly to the value type of the column, there are different types of filter:

- Selection, to select one instance of a defined collection of values (drop-down).
- Text input, to write some text that a value must contain.
- Date selection, To select a from-date from a date-picker. A date selection can also have an additional time selection within separate input field
- Date range selection, To select a from- and a to-date within different inputs and a date-picker. A date range selection can also have an additional time range selection within separate input fields

User Activity Logs

All		All	All	From 04.03.2019	To 04.03.2020	Q X
Institution	User	User Activity	Domain Type	Date		
SEB Server	sebserver-admin	Modify	User Account	04.03.2020, 10:16		
SEB Server	sebserver-admin	Password Change	User Account	04.03.2020, 10:16		
SEB Server	sebserver-admin	Create New	Institution	04.03.2020, 10:17		
SEB Server	sebserver-admin	Activate	Institution	04.03.2020, 10:17		
SEB Server	sebserver-admin	Create New	User Account	04.03.2020, 10:18		
SEB Server	sebserver-admin	Activate	User Account	04.03.2020, 10:18		
SEB Server	sebserver-admin	Modify	User Account	04.03.2020, 15:28		
SEB Server	sebserver-admin	Deactivate	User Account	04.03.2020, 15:28		
SEB Server	sebserver-admin	Activate	User Account	04.03.2020, 15:28		
SEB Server	sebserver-admin	Create New	Institution	04.03.2020, 15:29		
SEB Server	sebserver-admin	Activate	Institution	04.03.2020, 15:29		
Swiss MOOC Service	sms-admin	Create New	LMS Setup	04.03.2020, 10:19		
Swiss MOOC Service	sms-admin	Activate	LMS Setup	04.03.2020, 10:19		
Swiss MOOC Service	sms-admin	Create New	Exam	04.03.2020, 10:19		
Swiss MOOC Service	sms-admin	Modify	Exam	04.03.2020, 10:19		
Swiss MOOC Service	sms-admin	Create New	Exam Configuration	04.03.2020, 10:20		
Swiss MOOC Service	sms-admin	Modify	Exam Configuration History	04.03.2020, 10:20		
Swiss MOOC Service	sms-admin	Create New	Client Configuration	04.03.2020, 10:20		
Swiss MOOC Service	sms-admin	Activate	Client Configuration	04.03.2020, 10:20		
Swiss MOOC Service	sms-admin	Create New	Exam Configuration Mapping	04.03.2020, 10:20		

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A list can be sorted within a column by clicking in the column header. The order of sorting can be changed by clicking again on the same column header of the sorted column. If sorting functionality is available for a column depends on the column type. There are a few columns that do not have a sort functionality yet. Most columns have a short tool-tip description that pops up while the mouse pointer stays over the column header for a moment. A column tool-tip usually also explains how to use the column-related filter.

Forms

Forms are used for domain entity specific data input or presentation, like HTML Forms usually do. Forms appear in three different ways within the SEB Server GUI:

- When a domain entity is first created in edit mode
- When a domain entity is modified also in edit mode
- And when a domain entity is just shown, in read-only mode

The following images shows the same form, once in read-only mode and once edit mode

The screenshot shows the SEB Server web interface. The top navigation bar includes the SEB Server logo and a 'Sign out' button. The left sidebar contains a menu with categories like 'SEB Server Administration', 'SEB Configuration', 'Exam Administration', and 'Monitoring'. The 'User Account' menu item is highlighted. The main content area displays the 'User Account' details for 'SMS Admin' in a table format. The right sidebar contains action buttons: 'Add User Account', 'Edit', 'Change Password', and 'Deactivate Account'. The footer shows 'About', 'Documentation', and 'SEB Server Version : 0.6.2 (RC for v1.0)'.

User Account	
Institution	Swiss MOOC Service
Creation Date	04.03.2020
First Name	SMS Admin
Surname	SMS Admin
Username	sms-admin
E-Mail	--
Time Zone	UTC (Coordinated Universal Time)
User Roles	Exam Administrator Exam Supporter Institutional Administrator

The screenshot shows the SEB Server web interface with the 'User Account' form for editing. The form fields are labeled with red asterisks indicating mandatory fields. The 'User Roles' section uses checkboxes. The right sidebar contains 'Save User Account' and 'Cancel' buttons. The footer is identical to the previous screenshot.

User Account	
Institution *	Swiss MOOC Service
First Name *	SMS Admin
Surname *	SMS Admin
Username *	sms-admin
E-Mail	
Time Zone *	UTC (Coordinated Universal Time)
User Roles *	☒ Exam Administrator ☒ Exam Supporter ☒ Institutional Administrator ☐ SEB Server Administrator

There usually is a tool-tip on a form field element for almost all attributes that can be activated by either going over and stay on the form field label or the input section. If a form field is mandatory to either create or save an entity, this is marked with a little red arrow just to the right of the form field label. There may also be more field validation takes place on saving the object. If a input needs a special form that is not given by the current input, the form-field will be marked with a red border around the input field and a thin red explanation text is shown right below the input field. After correcting the missing or wrong input and saving the form again, the SEB Server will accept and process the changes.

Note: If you navigate away from a form in edit mode, the GUI will inform you about possible data loss on this action and will prompt you to proceed or abort the action.

8.1.2 Institution

Overview

The institution section within SEB Server is used to support built-in multi-tenancy functionality to allow using SEB server as a light-weight stand-alone server but with the possibility to separate operation completely within different institutions.

Note: If a quick use-case based reference suites you better, just forward to the “Use Cases” section of this chapter below

Only the role of SEB Server administrator and institutional administrator are able to see and use this section. A SEB Server administrator is able to see the whole list of all existing institutions and to create new and maintain every institution within a SEB Server, while a institutional administrator is only able to see the belonging institution and is able to modify this institution but not to change activity or create new institutions.

If a SEB server administrator clicks on the “Institution” section on the left hand menu, the application will show the a list of all available institutions. The list can be filtered with the filter above and can be sorted by clicking on the column one would like to sort the list in.

Note: The possible actions are in the action pane on the right hand side and the actions that belongs to a list entry are only active if a list entry is selected.

Currently an institution has a name, an optional url-suffix and an optional logo upload attribute.

- The **Name** is mandatory and must be unique within the SEB Server application.
- The **URL-Suffix** is optional and defines a suffix that can be used within the browser URL to access the SEB Server within this institution. The institution logo and theme will then be shown.
- The **Logo** upload where a image can be uploaded to be used as logo for the institution.

Note: The logo ideally should have a dimension around 300 pixel width and 80 pixel height to fit well into the logo section of the page. Currently only .png, .jpg and .jpeg image-files are supported.

SEB Server Administration

Institution

User Account

User Logs

SEB Configuration

Exam Administration

SEB Client Logs

Institutions

Name	URL Suffix	Status
ETH Zürich	ethz	Active
Institution XY	--	Active
Institution YZ	--	Inactive

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View Institution

Edit Institution

Switch Status

Add Institution

About Documentation

SEB Server Version : 0.6.3 (RC for v1.0)

As an institutional administrator only the institution one belongs to can be seen and be modified by the user. The user will see the institution form in view mode by clicking on the “Institution” section on the left hand menu and is able to edit the attributes of the institution like changing the name of the institution or upload a new institutional logo. An institutional administrator is not able to activate or deactivate its own institution, therefore a SEB Server administrator role is needed.

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Institution

Name: Swiss MOOC Service

URL Suffix: sms

Logo Image: LOGO HERE

Edit Institution

About Documentation

SEB Server Version : 0.6.3 (RC for v1.0)

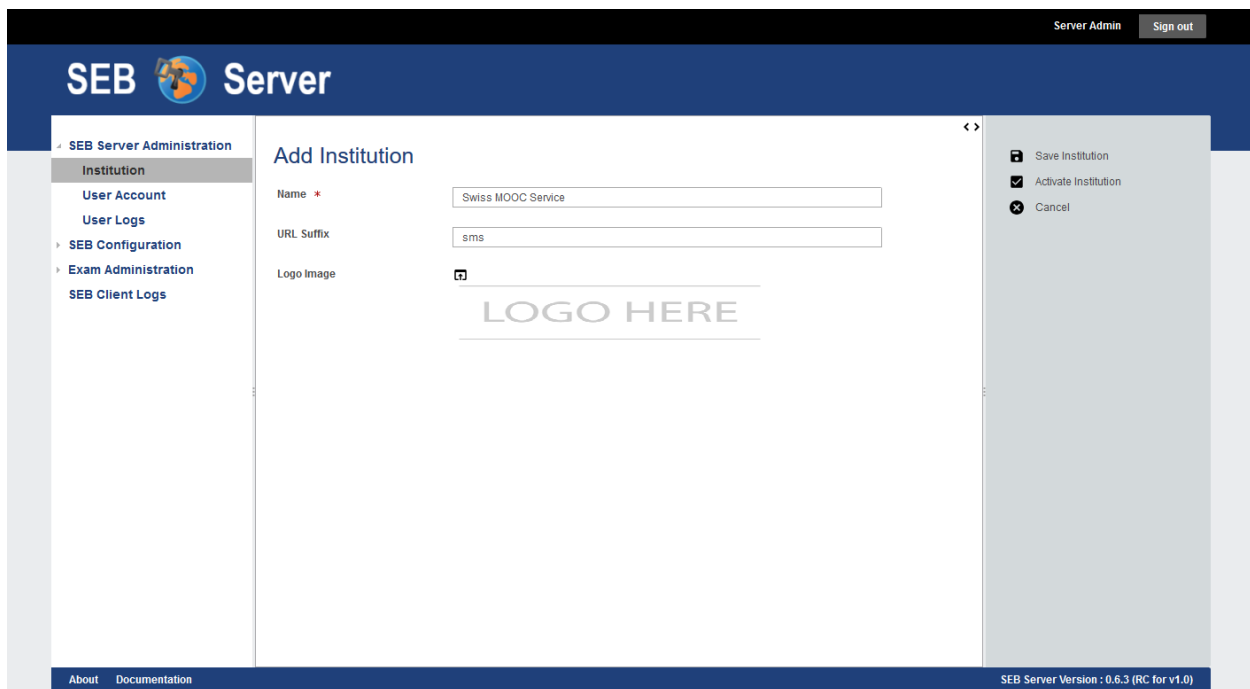
Use Cases

Create a new Institution

Note: To create a new institution one need a SEB Server administrator role.

The SEB Server application is setup as a single instance but needs to support several institutions with the services that must be completely separated from each other. It should also be possible for an institution to have a separate, single start URL to access the application with a web-browser and have the own logo.

- Login as a SEB Server administrator and select the “Institution” menu-item from the left hand side menu.
- A list of all existing and available institutions will be shown.
- Select “Add Institution” form the right hand side action pane to create a new institution.
- The creation form will be shown and the user is able to define a name, url-suffix and or upload a logo for the new institution.
- After giving all information, the new institution can either be saved and remains inactive until activation or can be saved and automatically be activated within the same step. Use the “Save Institution” action on the right side to just save the institution or the “Activate Institution” action the save and activate within the same step.
- In either case the form input will first be verified and if there is missing something or has wrong input, the save action will be postponed and the edit form will present the missing input within a red box and some inform text right below the input field for correction.
- If successfully saved, the application will show the form of the newly created institution in read only mode and if already activated other user, that are allowed to, can see the institution now.

The screenshot shows the SEB Server web application interface. At the top, there's a dark blue header with the 'SEB Server' logo and 'Server Admin' and 'Sign out' buttons. A left-hand navigation menu is visible with options like 'Institution', 'User Account', 'User Logs', 'SEB Configuration', 'Exam Administration', and 'SEB Client Logs'. The main content area is titled 'Add Institution' and contains three input fields: 'Name' (with the value 'Swiss MOOC Service'), 'URL Suffix' (with the value 'sms'), and 'Logo Image' (with a placeholder 'LOGO HERE'). On the right side of the form, there are three buttons: 'Save Institution', 'Activate Institution' (which is checked), and 'Cancel'. At the bottom of the page, there's a footer with 'About' and 'Documentation' links on the left, and 'SEB Server Version : 0.6.3 (RC for v1.0)' on the right.

Change the name/logo of an existing or own Institution

Note: This scenario differs in case of having a SEB Server administrator or institutional administrator role

As SEB Server administrator

- Login as a SEB Server administrator and select the “Institution” menu-item from the left hand side menu.

- A list of all existing and available institutions will be shown. Use the filter above to find the institution to change.
- Select the institution and use the “Edit Institution” action on the right side action pane to open the institution in edit mode.
- To upload a new logo, click on the upload-icon just beside the logo input field. The application will show a file-picker dialog. Use the file-picker dialog to search and select the logo file. Use the “Upload” action-button to upload the selected file. The selected logo should appear as an image within the image upload input field of the institution form.
- Apply the changes and save the institution. If all given information is correct and nothing is missing, the application will show the changed institution form in read only mode.

As an institutional administrator

- Login as an institutional administrator and select the “Institution” menu-item from the left hand side menu.
- The form of the own institution is shown in read-only mode. Use the “Edit Institution” action from the action pane.
- The form of the own institution is now shown in the edit mode and the name or logo of the institution can be modified.
- To upload a new logo, click on the upload-icon just beside the logo input field. The application will show a file-picker dialog. Use the file-picker dialog to search and select the logo file. Use the “Upload” action-button to upload the selected file. The selected logo should appear as an image within the image upload input field of the institution form.
- Apply the changes and save the institution. If all given information is correct and nothing is missing, the application will show the changed institution form in read only mode.

The screenshot displays the SEB Server Administration web application. At the top, there's a dark blue header with the 'SEB Server' logo and navigation links for 'SMS Admin' and 'Sign out'. A left-hand sidebar contains a menu with options like 'Institution', 'User Account', 'User Logs', 'SEB Configuration', 'Exam Administration', and 'SEB Client Logs'. The main content area is titled 'Institution' and shows a form with fields for 'Name' (Swiss MOOC Service), 'URL Suffix' (sms), and 'Logo Image' (containing a 'LOGO HERE' placeholder). On the right side of the form, there is an 'Edit Institution' button with a pencil icon. The footer of the application shows 'About' and 'Documentation' links on the left, and the version information 'SEB Server Version : 0.6.3 (RC for v1.0)' on the right.

Activate / Deactivate an existing institution

An institution is shown to other users and ready for applying user-accounts and other entities only if it is active. An inactive institution can only be seen by a institutional administrator of this institution or by a SEB Server administrator that are able to see all institutions.

To activate an institution for the first Time one can either use the “Activate Institution” action form the action pane on the right side within the read only mode of the institution form or with the same action on the edit mode while also saving the applied modifications of the form.

To deactivate an institution one can use the “Deactivate Institution” action form the action pane on the right side. When an institution is been deactivated, also all existing and active entities that belongs to this institution are deactivated too. This affects user-accounts, configurations and LMS Setups. On deactivation action, the application will search the affected entities and will inform the administrator about the number of the affected entities and asks for confirmation. After Confirm the deactivation the institution and all affected entities will be deactivated. This means also the user-accounts that has not a institutional role or the SEB Server administration role, will not be able to login anymore.

8.1.3 User Accounts

Overview

The user-account section within SEB Server can be used to create new or modify user-accounts for other user or to modify the own user account and changing the password. This section differs most for the different roles in SEB Server.

Note: If a quick use-case based reference suites you better, just forward to the “Use Cases” section of this chapter below

A user account always belongs to one institution and has some basic attributes;

- **Institution:** A combo- or single-selection to choose the institution the user account belongs to. This is mandatory and one user-account can only belong to one institution.
- **First Name:** The first name of the user
- **Surname:** The surname of the user
- **Username:** The username within SEB Server. This name is used to login.
- **E-Mail:** The E-Mail address for the user. This currently has only informational purpose and is neither used to confirm an account or to send automated mails.
- **Time Zone:** The time zone the user belongs to and to which the dates and times are converted to for display it to the user in the GUI. See also the note about time zone below.
- **User Roles:** A multi-selection input to define all roles a user account has. See also the note about roles below.
- **Password:** This password input field appears only while creating a new user-account or while self-register a user-account.
- **Confirm Password:** This password input field appears only while creating a new user-account or while self-register a user-account.

Note: The date and time values within the SEB Server are always stored in universal time (UTC) and converted from and to the time zone a user account has defined. The time zone of the user account is usually labeled and the UTC time is shown below if possible.

Note: The role selection is only displayed for user-accounts that has user-account modification privileges like SEB Server administrator and institutional administrator. Roles can be combined by selecting more then one role. For more information about roles and each role see the section *Roles and Use-Cases*

By selecting the “User Account” section on the left side menu, a SEB Server administrator will see a list of all user-accounts of all institution within a SEB Server instance. The filter above the list can be used to search a certain user account. Use the:

- **Institution** filter to select a certain institution and show only the user-accounts that belongs to this institution.
- **First Name** filter to search for user-accounts with the given occurrence of text in the First Name.
- **Surname** filter to search for user-accounts with the given occurrence of text in the Surname.
- **User Name** filter to search for user-accounts with the given occurrence of text in the Username.
- **Mail** filter to find an user-account by e-mail address
- **Status** filter to select the either and see either only active, only inactive or all user-accounts

The screenshot displays the SEB Server web interface. The main content area is titled "User Accounts" and features a table with the following data:

Institution	First Name	Surname	User Name	Mail	Status
ETH Zürich	super-admin	--	super-admin	super-admin@nomail.nomail	Active
Test Institution	test-admin	test-admin	test-admin	--	Active
Test Institution	test-exam-admin	test-exam-admin	test-exam-admin	--	Active
Test Institution	test-exam-suppor...	test-exam-suppor...	test-exam-suppor...	--	Active

Below the table, it indicates "Page 1 / 1". The left sidebar lists various administrative options, and the right sidebar provides actions for the selected user account.

To view all information of a user-account, double-click in a certain user-account entry from the list or select an entry from the list and use the “View User Account” action on the right action pain. The user account form will be shown in read only mode with all account information. To edit this user-account use the “Edit User Account” action on the right action pane. To change the password of the user

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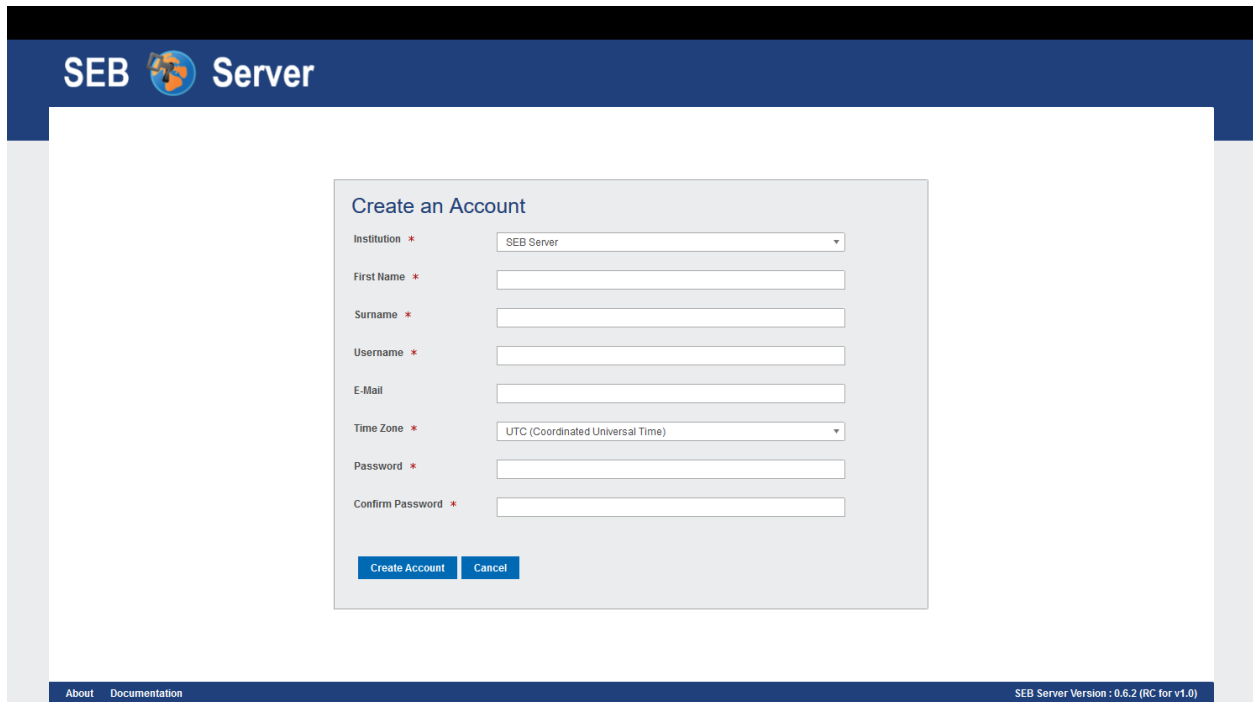
Register as a exam supporter

Registering as a new user is possible only within the SEB Server form-registration yet. Since the SEB Server is mainly a service for administrative work, there is no third party registration and login in place so far. A self-registered user-account has the single role of an Exam Supporter and since this user-account is not applied to an exiting exam and running, the user is only able to see and edit its own account settings. Another user with Exam Administrator role can then assign the new user-account to an exam for support and monitoring. Or one other user-account with Institution Administrator role can edit the new user-account and give it more privileges.

To register a new user-account follow the steps below

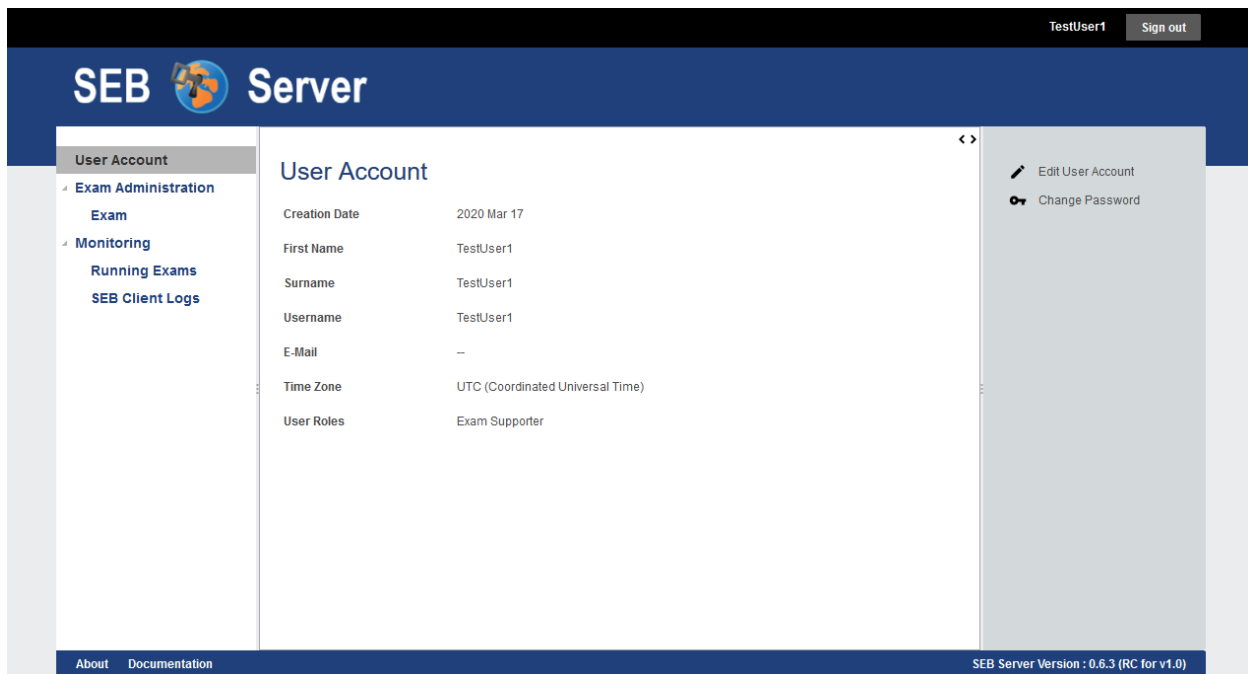
- Use a Web-Browser and go to the SEB Server login page by entering the SEB Server URL.
- Click the “Register” action on the login page that is shown right after the “Sign In” action.

- The application will show the registration form. See the image below.
- Enter all mandatory account data within the form and use the “Register” action to confirm.
- If there is missing or wrong data, the registration form will highlight the concerned input fields with a red border and information text just below the field.
- If everything is accepted the user-account is created and the application forwards automatically to the login page.
- Sign in with the user credentials to check the account works correctly.



The screenshot displays the 'Create an Account' form within the SEB Server application. The form is centered on a white background, framed by a dark blue header and footer. The header features the 'SEB Server' logo and name. The form itself has a light gray border and contains the following fields: 'Institution' (a dropdown menu with 'SEB Server' selected), 'First Name', 'Surname', 'Username', 'E-Mail', 'Time Zone' (a dropdown menu with 'UTC (Coordinated Universal Time)' selected), 'Password', and 'Confirm Password'. Each field is preceded by a red asterisk indicating it is mandatory. At the bottom of the form are two buttons: 'Create Account' and 'Cancel'. The footer of the application shows 'About Documentation' on the left and 'SEB Server Version : 0.6.2 (RC for v1.0)' on the right.

Once signed in, the user can see all sections for a Exam Administrator as shown in the image below. Because the user is not assigned to any Exam as a supporter yet, the “Exam Administration” and “Monitoring” sections are empty. The user is only able to change the account settings.



Create new user-account

As a user with user-account write privileges (SEB Server administrator and institutional administrator) one can create new user-account for others. This must usually be done if a particular user is not able to register itself for whatever reason or if internal policies prefer this kind of registration. A user with user-account write privileges can create a new user-account as follows;

- Login to SEB Server application with your own account and click the “User Account” section on the left side menu.
- Use the “Add User Account” action from the action pane on the right hand-side to create a new user-account.
- Enter all mandatory account data within the form and use the “Register” action to confirm.
- If there is missing or wrong data, the registration form will highlight the concerned input fields with a red border and information text just below the field.
- If everything is accepted the user-account is created and the application shows the user-account form in view mode.
- Now the administrator can give the created user credentials directly to the user with the advice to immediately change the password.

Modify user-account

As a user with user-account write privileges (SEB Server administrator and institutional administrator) one can modify user-accounts of others while all other users can only modify its own account settings.

- Login to SEB Server application with your own account and click the “User Account” section on the left side menu.
- As a user with user-account write privileges one will see the list of all available user-accounts. Find the user-account that must be modified by using the filter above and double-click on the respective list entry to open the user-account form in view mode.
- Without user-account write privileges, a user will just see its own user-account form in view mode.
- Use the “Edit User Account” action from the action pane on the right to change to edit mode. Apply all needed modifications and save the user-account by using the “Save User Account” action from the action pane.

- If there is missing or wrong data, the registration form will highlight the concerned input fields with a red border and information text just below the field.
- If everything is accepted the user-account is created and the application shows the user-account form in view mode.

Change password

As a user with user-account write privileges (SEB Server administrator and institutional administrator) one can change the password also for others while all other users can only modify change its own password. The current password must be known to change the password.

- Login to SEB Server application with your own account and click the “User Account” section on the left side menu.
- As a user with user-account write privileges one will see the list of all available user-accounts. Find the user-account that must be modified by using the filter above and double-click on the respective list entry to open the user-account form in view mode
- Without user-account write privileges, a user will just see its own user-account form in view mode.
- Use the “Change Password” action on the right action pane to open the change password form.
- No you must first give the correct old password and the new password then with confirmation.
- Use the “Save New Password action form the right action pane to save the new password settings.
- If you are changing your own password and everything is correct, the application will automatically log you out and prompt you to sign in with the new password.
- If you are changing the password of another user-account the application and everything is correct, the application direct you back to the user-account form in view mode and show a confirmation message.

The screenshot displays the SEB Server application interface. At the top, there is a dark blue header with the 'SEB Server' logo and a 'super-admin' user profile with a 'Sign out' button. A left sidebar contains a navigation menu with categories like 'SEB Server Administration', 'Institution', 'User Account', 'User Logs', 'SEB Configuration', 'Exam Administration', and 'Monitoring'. The main content area is titled 'Change Password : Server Admin' and contains three input fields labeled 'Password', 'New Password', and 'Confirm New Password', each with a red asterisk indicating a required field. On the right side of the main area, there is an action pane with two buttons: 'Save New Password' and 'Cancel'. At the bottom of the interface, there is a footer with 'About' and 'Documentation' links on the left, and 'SEB Server Version : 0.6.3 (RC for v1.0)' on the right.

**Activate / Deactivate user-account

Users with user-account write privileges (SEB Server administrator and institutional administrator) are able to activate/deactivate user-accounts of others. A inactive user-account prevent a user to sign-in. There are several different ways or places where the status of a user-account can be changed

- On the list view while one list entry is selected, by using the “Activate User Account” or “Deactivate User Account” action from the action pain at the right side. There will be automatically appear the proper action in relation to the selected list entry and whether it is already active or inactive.
- In the user-account form in view mode by using the “Activate User Account” or “Deactivate User Account” action from the action pain at the right side. There will be automatically appear the proper action in relation to the current user-account.
- If one creates a new user-account there is the possibility to create and activate the user-account by using the “Activate User Account” action from the action pain on the right side.
- The same situation appears for inactive user-accounts in edit mode.

8.1.4 Learning Management System Setup

Overview

To be able to connect to a learning management system (LMS), to view and manage the courses provided by a LMS is an essential feature of the SEB Server. To setup an exam or e-assessment for SEB on SEB Server that is based on a course from a LMS, we have to make a binding to the course on the LMS. This is also used to always get the actual course data from LMS like start- end-time, name and others. Another feature of SEB Server that needs a LMS communication is the SEB restriction. A SEB restriction will restrict course access on the LMS only for connection with Safe Exam Browser and will also check if a Safe Exam Browser of trust is used and the right configuration is used by the Safe Exam Browser that was defines for the exam on the SEB Server.

Course API

This API, provided by the LMS, is used by the SEB Server to query the available courses and the needed data for each course. This API is needed to be able to import a course from the LMS as an exam into SEB Server and configure the course as an e-assessment with SEB. Usually this API comes as a REST or SOAP API with the core LMS implementation or a plugin.

SEB Server supports this course API's so far:

- Open edX: The standard system [Open edX REST API](#). The SEB Server uses the “courses” endpoints to get course data.
- Moodle (experimental): The standard system [Moodle REST API](#). The SEB Server uses the “core_course” endpoints to get course data. Note that Moodle binding is experimental in the current SEB Server version and there is no guarantee to work correctly or to work with an upcoming full Moodle integration in newer version.

SEB restriction API

If the automated SEB restriction functionality is available for a LMS depends on the following requirements:

- There must exist a SEB integration plugin that offers an API to put and pull SEB restrictions in the form of Config-Keys and/or Browser-Exam-Keys To the LMS and a specific course on the LMS to restrict the access. Such a plugin may also offer additional restriction features like restricting on course section or course components or only for specified user roles.
- The SEB integration plugin must be installed on the LMS that is used by the SEB Server.

For more information about known SEB integration plugins that are supported by the SEB Server see [Install SEB restriction API plugin](#)

Regardless if a supported LMS is missing the SEB integration plugin installation, the LMS can be used with the Course API and a exam setup will be possible but without automated SEB restriction feature.

To be able connect to an LMS from SEB Server, we need to create an API access-account on the LMS side that can be used by the SEB Server to access the API of the LMS. How to do this for the different supported types of LMS see [API Access Account on LMS](#). After such an account was created the account credentials, username and password, can be used by the SEB Server to connect to the LMS. Therefore we need to create a LMS Setup on the SEB Server.

A SEB Server administrator role will be able to see the institution to which the LMS Setup belongs to while an institutional administrator is only able to see and create LMS Setup for its own institution. The name of the LMS Setup should be unique and is to identify a LMS SEB Server internally. Use the “Type” selector to specify the type of the LMS to bind to the SEB Server within the LMS Setup. Currently supported are:

- **Testing:** This is for testing purposes only and can be used to mock a LMS to test exam settings. This type provides some mock-up courses within the LMS API of the SEB Server that can be seen in the LMS Exam Lookup once the LMS text setup is active. This mock-up courses can be imported and configured as exams like they would exist. But note the a SEB client that is trying to connect to such a course would not be able to connect to the LMS since it is not existing. But a SEB client is able to download the defined exam configuration for testing.
- **Open edX:** This type is to bind an existing [Open edX](#) LMS system that is available on the Internet or intranet. The SEB Server tries to make use of the above described API’s of the Open edX system.

Note: If you want to use the automated SEB restriction feature too, the [Open edX SEB Plugin](#) must be installed properly on the LMS.

- **Moodle:** This type is to bind an existing [Moodle](#) LMS system that is available on the Internet or intranet. The SEB Server tries to make use of the described API’s of the Moodle system but there is currently no SEB restriction plugin available that works with SEB Server. Note that Moodle binding is experimental in the current SEB Server version and there is no guarantee to work correctly or to work with an upcoming full Moodle integration in newer version.

The “LMS Server Address” is the root URL to connect to the LMS server with HTTP over the Internet or intranet. This is usually the the URL that is also used with the Browser to connect to the main page of the LMS system. And additionally the credentials that has been created with the creation of the [API Access Account on LMS](#) has to be set in the LMS Setup the make the SEB Server able to securely connect to te LMS. The API credentials that consists of a

client-name and a client-secret must be used with the “LMS Server Username” and the “LMS Server Password” fields of the LMS Setup form on SEB Server.

If the SEB Server running behind a proxy server or a firewall between SEB Server den LMS, the additional proxy settings can be used to setup the proxy-connection.

Note: To Setup a Test LMS Setup (of type “Test”) only a correct URL pattern must be set like “<http://test>” for example. And API credentials can be anything but must be set.

After all the settings for a LMS Setup has been set, one can use either the “Save LMS Setup” action to save the LMS Setup without activation or the “Activate LMS Setup” action to also activate the settings right after they has been successfully saved. Anyway for both action there is a initial test that, additionally to the usual field validation that takes place first, tries to connect to the LMS with the given API details. If the connection was’nt successful the SEB Server will inform the user about a possible reason of failure. Otherwise SEB Server shows a success message and the created LMS Setup can be used.

Use the “Activate / Deactivate LMS Setup” action to activate an inactive LMS Setup or the deactivate a active LMS Setup.

Note: On deactivation of an LMS Setup, the system checks on depending object and will show a confirmation to the user asking that all depending objects will also been deactivated. Depending objects of an LMS Setup are exams that has been imported from the specified LMS Setup in the past.

Use Cases

Create a new LMS Setup for Open edX

A new Open edX system has been installed within your institution and to be able to use the system also for e-assessments with SEB and SEB Server, you have to bind the LMS to the SEB Server.

- If not already done, install the [Open edX SEB Plugin](#) on the Open edX system first.
- If you don’t already have an API access account on Open edX side, [create one](#)
- Sign into SEB Server with your institutional administrator role account.
- Navigate to “Exam Administration” / “LMS Setup” within the navigation on the left hand side.
- Use the “Add LMS Setup” action from the right action pane to open a LMS Setup creation form.
- Give a unique name to the new LMS Setup for internally identification.
- Set the main URL that points to the new LMS system. This is usually the the URL that is also used with the Browser to connect to the main page of the LMS system
- Set the API credentials that has been creates within step two (client-id, secret).
- Use the “Activate LMS Setup” action on the right action pane to test, save and activate the new LMS Setup within one step.

Note: If some form attributes are missing or not correct, the SEB Server system will respond with the usual form validation errors. If the connection to the LMS is failing because of missing or wrong credentials or for any other reason the system is not able to connect to the LMS the SEB Server will notify a error dialog to the user.

Change API Credentials of an Active LMS Setup

The API access account on the LMS has been expired and you have to create a new one or update the old one which both result in new API access credentials that has to be set on the existing LMS Setup on the SEB Server.

The screenshot shows the SEB Server web interface. The top header includes the SEB Server logo and a user profile 'super-admin' with a 'Sign out' button. The left sidebar contains a navigation menu with categories like 'SEB Server Administration', 'SEB Configuration', 'Exam Administration', and 'Monitoring'. The 'LMS Setup' option under 'Exam Administration' is highlighted. The main content area is titled 'Learning Management System Setups' and shows a list of connection settings to the LMS. The list has columns for Institution, Name, LMS Type, and Status. There are three entries: 'ETH Zürich' with 'test' (Testing, Active), 'ETH Zürich' with 'Test1' (Testing, Inactive), and 'ETH Zürich' with 'Test2' (Testing, Inactive). The right sidebar contains action buttons: 'View LMS Setup', 'Edit LMS Setup', 'Deactivate LMS Setup', and 'Add LMS Setup'. The footer shows 'About', 'Documentation', and 'SEB Server Version : 0.6.4 (RC for v1.0)'.

- Sign into SEB Server with your institutional administrator role account.
- Navigate to “Exam Administration” / “LMS Setup” within the navigation on the left hand side.
- Use the Filter above the list to find the specified LMS Setup.
- Select the LMS Setup from the list and use the “Edit LMS Setup” action from the right action pane to open the LMS Setup in edit mode.
- Set the new credentials and make sure, the LMS Setup is still active.
- Use the “Save LMS Setup” action from the right action pane to save the changes and test the connection.

Note: If some form attributes are missing or not correct, the SEB Server system will respond with the usual form validation errors. If the connection to the LMS is failing because of missing or wrong credentials or for any other reason the system is not able to connect to the LMS the SEB Server will notify a error dialog to the user.

Deactivate LMS Setup

A LMS system that was running on your campus to provide e-assessment with SEB and SEB Server has been shut-down and you need to also deactivate the setup and exams on the SEB Server for this LMS.

- Sign into SEB Server with your institutional administrator role account.
- Navigate to “Exam Administration” / “LMS Setup” within the navigation on the left hand side.
- Use the Filter above the list to find the specified LMS Setup.
- Select the specified LMS Setup from the list and use the “Deactivate LMS Setup” action from the right action pane.
- Alternatively you can also double-click on the LMS Setup to first go into the detailed view of the LMS setup and use the “Deactivate LMS Setup” action there.

- The system informs you about the number of depending exams that also will be deactivated within the deactivation of the LMS Setup.
- Confirm the deactivation and notify that the LMS Setup now is listed as “Inactive” in the list.
- Navigate to “LMS Exam Lookup” to make sure the courses from the deactivated LMS Setup are not available anymore.
- Navigate also to “Exam” and make sure that all previously imported exams from the deactivated LMS Setup are not available anymore.

API Access Account on LMS

Create Open edX API Access Account

To be able to create an API access-account on Open edX you need a user-account with staff and administration privileges.

For Open edX Hawthorn and Ironwood versions following the steps below::

- Login to Open edX LMS Administration with an appropriate user-account that has administration rights. And find the Users section:
- Create a new User-Account that acts as an API account. The account must at least have the permissions to query the course API of Open edX and to access the seb_openedx plugin permission.
- Make sure that “Staff” status is checked for the account.
- Back in the administration homepage, find the OAUTH2 - Client section and create a new API Client Access for the given User-Account. The Client id and Client secret are automatically generated by Open edX.

Once the client registration was successful the client id and client secret can be used within the SEB Server to access the course- and SEB-restriction API of Open edX as described in the next step section

Note: Since Open edX Juniper is using Django Oauth Toolkit instead of Django Oauth Provider the last step in the above guide looks slightly different. Please see below the last step for setting up on an Open edX Juniper version.

- Back in the administration homepage, find the DJANGO OAUTH TOOLKIT - Applications section and create a new API Application Access for the given User-Account. The Client id can be defined and the Client secret is automatically generated by Open edX.

DJANGO OAUTH TOOLKIT		
Access tokens	+ Add	🔧 Change
Applications	+ Add	🔧 Change
Grants	+ Add	🔧 Change
Refresh tokens	+ Add	🔧 Change

Change application

Client id:	api-access-user-key
User:	19 🔍 api-access
Redirect uris:	Allowed URIs list, space separated
Client type:	Public
Authorization grant type:	Client credentials
Client secret:	
Name:	api-access-user

Install SEB restriction API plugin

Open edX SEB Plugin

There is a SEB integration plugin developed and supported by [eduNEXT](#).

- [Documentation](#)
- [Repository](#)

8.1.5 SEB Configurations

There are two different kind of SEB specific configurations that must be defined and be put in place to support e-assessments with SEB and SEB Server. The is used to configure SEB with all needed information to securely connect to SEB Server and an Exam Configuration is used to configure SEB to access a running exam with SEB. The is only needed at least once for an institution and must be deployed as start-configuration on a managed SEB setup or can be placed as a download link within an internal trusted server, that automatically loads within the SEB application and configures the SEB to connect to the SEB Server.

An exam configuration, as the name implies, is done for an exam and contains most of the known configuration attributes from the latest [SEB Configuration Tool](#) Currently an exam configuration can only be applied to one Exam but can easily be copied to use with another exam. For detailed information about exam configuration see [Exam Configuration](#)

Within Configuration Templates, it is possible to create templates for exam configuration. Within the current version of SEB Server there is the possibility to define different default value(s) for each exam configuration attribute and also to define if the attribute is been shown in the exam configuration or not. This allows an Exam Administrator to create a exam configuration template for exams with context defines default values and also to be able to only see change the attributes that are relevant for an exam configuration. This feature is currently in an experimental state and may be changed and / or expanded within future releases of SEB Server. See [Exam Configuration Templates](#)

Client Configuration

Overview

A client configuration is needed to configure a SEB client to securely connect to the SEB Server and present a list of available exams for selection. At least one client configuration is needed for an institution that can be exported and deployed with a SEB on a managed device setup or can be made available within a download link on a internal or trusted server. Another scenario would be to send the client configuration to individual students per mail with instructions on how to install SEB and start it with the configuration to automatically connect to the SEB Server. However, since the client configuration is security relevant because it contains sensitive data to connect to SEB Server, there are different security level one can choose to apply within a internal safe e-assessment strategy.

The lowest level of security is to just have one not encrypted client configuration for the whole institution and for all e-assessments provided at this institution with SEB Server. In this case the sensitive data is more exposed to be compromised and misused by others because of the missing password protection and it also takes more effort to deal with such an issue while there is only one client configuration used by all e-assessments of the institution. If the one client configuration has been compromised and a misuse has been detected the concerned client configuration can be deactivated to prevent further misuse. A new one can be created and delivered or updated but since it is only one configuration used for the institution all actual download links have to be updated and all students awaiting a prepared exam has to be informed and supported with the new configuration (link)

The currently highest level of security is to have encrypted and different client configuration for different e-assessment. In this case the client configuration is encrypted with a password that can be defined by a institutional- or exam-administrator while creating the client configuration. Once the SEB loads such a client configuration it will fist prompt the user about the password that must be given by the student to proceed and connect to the SEB Server.

Usually a client configuration can be created or maintained by an institutional administrator or by an exam administrator. Exam supporter role has no access to client configurations and a SEB administrator is able to see client configurations of other institutions but not to create or modify them.

You can see a list of all available client configuration for an institution by going to the sub-section “Client Configuration” of the “Configuration” section on the menu on the left hand side.

SEB Server

super-admin Sign out

SEB Server Administration

SEB Configuration

Client Configuration

Exam Configuration

Configuration Template

Exam Administration

Monitoring

Client Configuration

All 17.03.2019 All

Institution	Name	Creation Date	Status
ETH Zurich	test	2019 Jul 2 09:22	Active
Test Institution	inst1ClientConfig	2020 Mar 23 11:32	Active
ETH Zurich	Client Config	2020 Mar 24 07:57	Inactive

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The list shows the name, the date of creation and the status of the client configurations in a column. With SEB Server administrator role also an institution column is shown because a SEB Server administrator is able to see all client configurations of all institutions. As usual, to filter the list use the filter inputs above and click on the lens symbol on the right to apply the filter and to clear the filter use the clear symbol right to the lens symbol. See [Graphical User Interface](#) for more information about the list navigation.

The image below shows the Client Connection form in the edit mode. To view the fallback related attributes, check the “With Fallback” attribute or remove selection to hide all fallback related attributes.

SEB Server

SMS Exam Admin Sign out

User Account

SEB Configuration

Client Configuration

Exam Configuration

Configuration Template

Exam Administration

LMS Setup

LMS Exam Lookup

Exam

SEB Client Logs

Add Client Configuration

Name * Test Config

Configuration Purpose * Starting an Exam

Configuration Password ****

Confirm Password ****

With Fallback ☒

Fallback Start URL *

Connection Attempts * 5 Interval * 2000

Fallback Timeout * 120000

Fallback Password ****

Confirm Password ****

Save Client Configuration

Activate Client Configuration

Cancel

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Short description of all attributes of a client configuration:

- **Name:** The name of the client configuration used to maintain client configurations within the SEB Server application.
- **Configuration Purpose:** Defines the configuration purpose as described in [SEB Configuration](#) section “Use SEB settings file for”. **Starting an Exam;** Will cause SEB to use this client configuration settings on startup but won’t change local SEB settings. **Configuring a Client;** Will cause SEB to use this client configuration settings and also save it as local SEB settings.
- **Configuration Password:** Used to encrypt the client configuration with a password. A SEB client will prompt this password while loading a password protected client configuration.
- **With Fallback:** Select this to see and define a fallback strategy for SEB clients using this client configuration in case of SEB Server service unavailability.
- **Fallback URL:** Defines a start URL that is loaded by the SEB client in a fallback case.
- **Connection Attempts:** Defines the number of attempts a SEB client will try to unsuccessfully connect to the SEB Server service until it switches to the fallback case.
- **Interval:** Time interval (in milliseconds) a SEB client will wait after a unsuccessful connection attempt before starting a next connection attempt.
- **Connection Timeout:** A overall timeout for SEB Server service connection. After this timeout runs out, starting from first connection attempt, SEB client will switch to the fallback case no matter if number of attempts has exceeded or not.
- **Fallback Password:** If set, a SEB client will prompt for this password before switching into the fallback case.
- **Quit Password:** If set, a SEB client will prompt for this password when a user wants to exit SEB before in fallback case or before the SEB client has loaded an exam.

A client configuration may also contain and define a fallback strategy that takes place when SEB Server service is not available while a SEB client tries to connect to the SEB Server.

Note: A fallback case only takes place when SEB client is within the connection process (handshake) with the SEB Server and the SEB Server service is unavailable. If a SEB client is already connected to the SEB Server and the user has started an exam, the SEB will just proceed with the exam even when the SEB Server connection is (temporarily) unavailable.

The fallback strategy contains some connection attributes that define until when a SEB client considering SEB Server service as unavailable as well as attributes that defines how a SEB client has to proceed in the fallback case. How a SEB client reacts to a fallback case differs on the configuration settings in the following ways:

- **client configuration with “Configuring a Client” setting and no fallback strategy:** Show warning message with options “retry” and “quit”.
- **Client configuration with “Configuring a Client” setting and fallback strategy:** Show warning with options “retry”, “fallback” (load Fallback URL) and “quit”.
- **Client configuration with “Starting an Exam” setting and no fallback (without local client configuration):** Show warning message with options “retry” and “quit”.
- **Client configuration with “Starting an Exam” setting and no fallback (with local client configuration):** Show warning message with options “retry”, “load local settings” and “quit”.
- **Client configuration with “Starting an Exam” setting and fallback strategy:** Show warning with options “retry”, “fallback” (load Fallback URL) and “quit”.

Use Cases

Create Client Configuration

As an Institutional Administrator you should create a new secure client configuration for the upcoming semester. The setup shall operate with secure configurations because the configuration file may be exposed to the public Internet. And the setup shall also have a proper fallback strategy where SEB clients use the a given start URL in fallback case.

- Sign in as an Institutional Administrator and select the “Client Configuration” sub-menu of the “SEB Configuration” main-menu on the left.
- Use the “Add Client Configuration” on the right action pane to create a new client configuration.
- Give the new client configuration a name that not already exists and select “Start an Exam” for “Configuration Purpose”. This will ensure that a SEB client that uses this configuration will not override the local configuration that then can be used on fallback.
- Give a password to ensure security and to encrypt the client configuration on export. A SEB client will prompt for the password while loading this configuration.
- Check “With Fallback” to show all the fallback related attributes.
- Define a fallback URL that will be used by a SEB client as start URL in the fallback case.
- Define also fallback case, how many connection attempts on what interval a SEB client shall try before going into fallback mode. You can also define a overall “Connection Timeout” if lapsed a SEB client will also go into the fallback mode. A SEB client will fall-back on either the attempt or the timeout trigger.
- When a SEB client goes to fallback mode it will prompt the user as described in the case list above. To prevent further fallback options with a password prompt, give a “Fallback Password” and / or a “Quit Password” that a SEB client will prompt on either the fallback- or the quit-option.
- After all details are correctly been entered, use the “Save Client Configuration” action on the right action pane to save the new client configuration.
- Now the new client configuration is created but not active for now and therefore cannot be exported yet.

Activate and export Client Configuration

A client configuration for the upcoming semester has been created so far but was not active until now because of security reasons. Now we want to activate this client configuration and export it to make it accessible by a download link on a public server.

- Sign in as an Institutional Administrator and select the “Client Configuration” sub-menu of the “SEB Configuration” main-menu on the left.
- Use the list filter and / or the list navigation to find the needed client configuration.
- Double-click on the list entry or use the “View Client Configuration” action on the right for a selected list row, to show the details of a specific Client configuration.
- Then either on the list or in the view mode of the form, use the “Activate Client Configuration” action on the right action pane to activate the client configuration
- Now there is a “Export Client Configuration” action in the detail view of the client configuration. Use the “Export Client Configuration” action to start a download dialog. Choose “Save As” and download the file with the name “SEBServerSettings.seb”.
- This file can now be published as download-link within a public server where SEB user can click and start the download and startup of the SEB client automatically.

Deactivate a Client Configuration

The semester has ended and for security reasons we don't want that SEB clients with a client configuration for the ended semester are able to connect to SEB Server anymore. For this we just have to deactivate the client configuration for that semester. A SEB client that connects with this client configuration will then receive an HTTP 401 Unauthorized response.

- Sign in as an Institutional Administrator and select the “Client Configuration” sub-menu of the “SEB Configuration” main-menu on the left.
- Use the list filter and / or the list navigation to find the needed client configuration and select the row of this client configuration.
- Now use the “Deactivate Client Configuration” action from the right action pane to deactivate the client configuration.
- The client configuration is now deactivated and SEB client using this client configuration are not able to connect to SEB Server anymore.

Exam Configuration

Overview

An exam configuration defines all the SEB settings for an exam. A SEB client that is connecting to SEB Server and an exam defined by the SEB Server is downloading this exam configuration from SEB Server and reconfigure itself before accessing the exam on the learning management system (LMS) and present it to the user.

Note: For more information and detailed description of the SEB settings, see [SEB Configuration](#). Currently not all settings are available and some has different uses. For details about differences see [SEB Setting Differences](#)

An exam administrator is able to create, modify and maintain exam configurations while the SEB Server administrator and the institutional administrator role have only read access either for all exam configurations or for the exam configurations of the institution. A exam supporter role is able to see and modify only the exam configurations to which the user-account is assigned as supporter.

To view the list of available exam configuration go to the sub-menu “Exam Configuration” within the menu “SEB Configurations” on the left hand side. The list shows the name, the description and the status of the exam configurations in a column. With SEB Server administrator role also an institution column is shown because a SEB Server administrator is able to see all exam configurations of all institutions. As usual, to filter the list use the filter inputs above and click on the lens symbol on the right to apply the filter and to clear the filter use the clear symbol right to the lens symbol. See [Graphical User Interface](#) for more information about the list navigation.

The screenshot displays the SEB Server web application interface. The top navigation bar includes the 'SEB Server' logo and a user profile section with 'super-admin' and a 'Sign out' button. The left sidebar provides a hierarchical menu for system administration, with 'Exam Configuration' currently selected. The central panel, titled 'Exam Configurations', contains a search bar and a table of configurations. The table has four columns: 'Institution', 'Name', 'Description', and 'Status'. It lists three entries: 'test' (In Use), 'test config' (In Use), and 'Test Exam' (Under Construction). A right-hand action pane offers options to view, edit, add, or import configurations. The footer includes links to 'About' and 'Documentation', along with the version information 'SEB Server Version : 0.6.3 (RC for v1.0)'.

Institution	Name	Description	Status
ETH Zürich	test	--	In Use
ETH Zürich	test config	--	In Use
Test Institution (Etki) ABCD...	Test Exam	Etkis test Exam	Under Construction

To view details of a specific exam configuration either double-click on a list entry or select a list entry and use the “View Exam Configuration” action from the right action pane. In the detail view all general settings are shown and also a list of exams that uses this exam configuration. In the current version of SEB Server, an exam configuration can only be assigned to one exam.

Note: For the actual SEB Server version it is not possible to assign the same exam configuration to more than one exam. This is because it shall be possible to change configuration settings for running exams when no active SEB clients are connected within the specified exam. This is manageable for one exam but is going to become confusing if more exams are involved. But there is the possibility to copy an existing exam configuration to use the same for another exam.

The status of an exam configuration defines its visibility and assignment possibilities. If an exam configuration is still in the creation process and shall not be assigned to an exam yet, it should stay in the “Under Construction” status. This is the default status while creating a new exam configuration. Once an exam configuration is done and ready for assignment, one can change this status to “Ready To Use”. Exam configurations within this status are available for selection and assignment on exams. When an exam configuration is assigned to an exam the status changes automatically to “In Use” and the SEB settings of the exam configuration will appear only in read mode for default.

SEB Server

super-admin Sign out

SEB Server Administration

SEB Configuration

Client Configuration

Exam Configuration

Configuration Template

Exam Administration

Monitoring

Exam Configuration

Name: test config

Description: This is a Exam Configuraton for testing purpose.
Here is some more text and description

Status: In Use

Attached To Exam

Name	Start Time	Type
test course 3	2019 Aug 31 00:00	Not Defined

Edit Exam Configuration

View SEB Settings

Copy Exam Configuration

Save As Template

Export Exam Configuration

Export Config-Key

View Exam

Add Exam Configuration

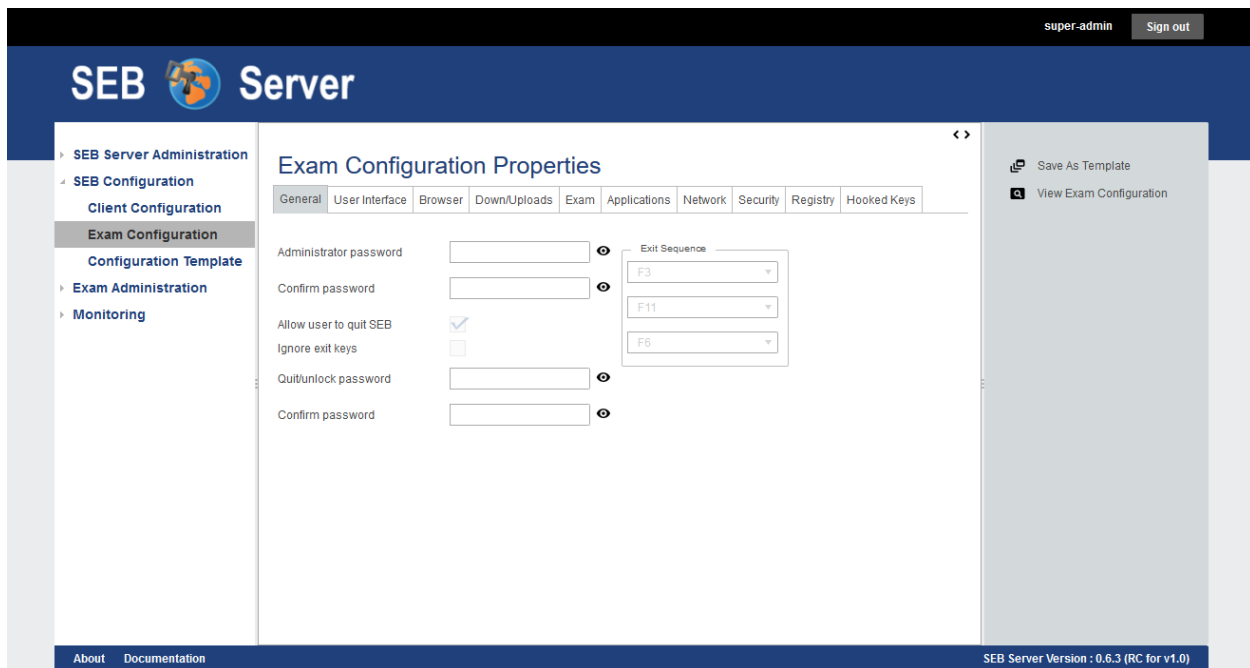
About Documentation

SEB Server Version : 0.6.3 (RC for v1.0)

An exam configuration has a general settings part (like other domain objects has within SEB Server) that defines the name, description and status of the exam configuration that are used to maintain the exam configurations SEB Server internally. And a exam configuration has, separated from the general settings, the SEB settings that contains most of the SEB setting attributes as they are provided by the SEB.

Note: For more information and detailed description of the SEB setting attributes, see [SEB Configuration](#). Currently not all settings are available and some has different uses. For details about differences see [SEB Setting Differences](#)

The SEB settings differ from the general form-settings also in how they are managed and stored on server-side. Unlike the form-settings, the SEB settings are arranged like they are in the SEB Configuration Tool for Windows and they are stored while modifying. This means, a entered value for an attribute is immediately sent to and stored by the SEB Server. There is no additional save action needed and no entered data will be lost. Instead the “Save / Publish Settings” can be used to store the current setting in a new revision in the history while also publish them to exams that uses this exam configuration.



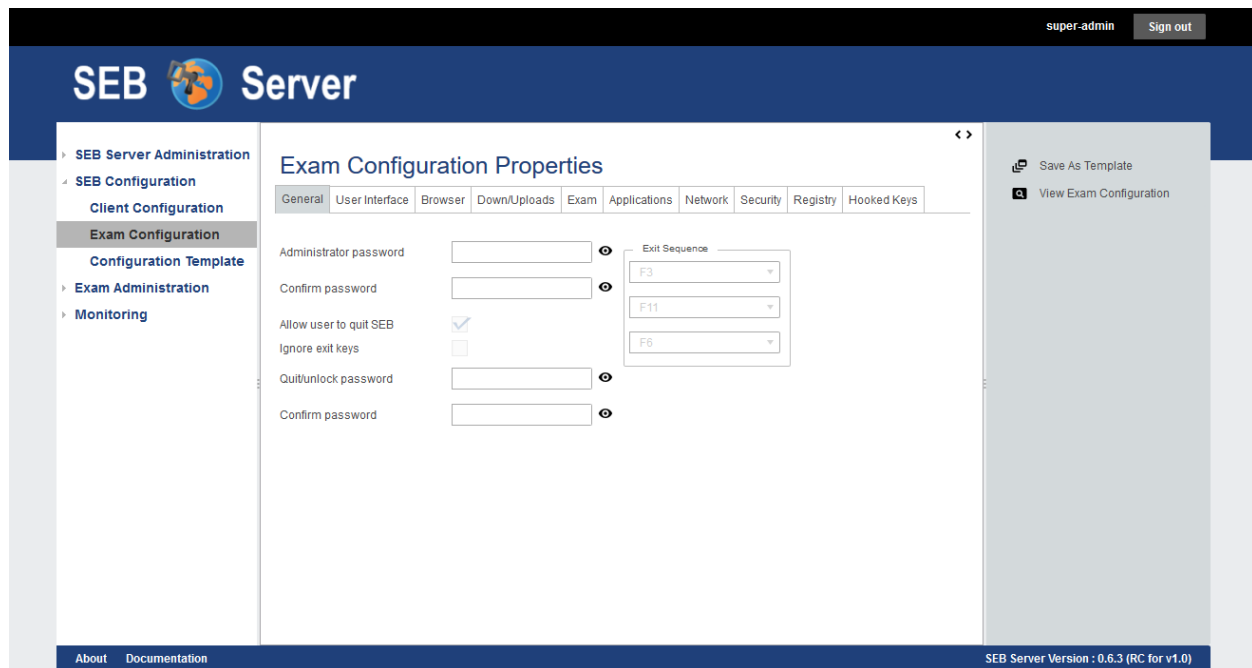
Note: Changes in SEB settings must be published to be available on exports, exams or other uses. Before publishing they are not available for exams and SEB clients that connect to the SEB Server will still receive the last published version of the SEB settings. To publish SEB setting changes use the “Save / Publish Settings” action from the right action pane.

Note: Currently there is an “Undo” function to revert the changed made to the last published state. But there is no possibility yet to maintain the publishing history of a Exam Configuration but may be available in a future release of the SEB Server.

Since an exam configuration can only be used by one exam it may be convenient to quickly copy an existing exam configuration that is in use and use the copy of this exam configuration for another exam or to just change the settings to make a slightly different exam configuration. The “Copy Exam Configuration” action can always be used no matter in what state the exam configuration may be at the moment. By using this feature there will be a copy dialog shown as pop-up window where one has to give at least a new unique name for the copy. See copy-config-label for detailed step by step guide.

A plain XML text export of the exam configuration may be needed for testing. This is always possible by using the “Export Exam Configuration” action from the right action pane. This will start a usual browser download dialog handled by your browser to save or load the file. The default name of the file of a exam configuration is “SEBExam-Settings.seb”.

SEB Server supports also the **SEB Config-Key** that is used to validate the SEB configuration on the LMS adds a higher security level to the exam. This supported if the specific type of LMS supports the automated SEB restriction feature. Anyways sometimes it may be needed to manually extract the **SEB Config-Key** for a exam configuration. Therefore one can use the “Export Client-Key” action from the right action pane to generate the Config-Key from the actual saved SEB settings revision of the exam configuration. The key will be presented by a pop-up dialog where it can be copied for further use.



Use Cases

Create new Exam Configuration

For the upcoming semester you have to create several new exam configurations for the different kind of exams your institution is going to provide during the semester.

- Sign into SEB Server with your exam administrator role account
- Navigate to the “Exam Configuration” menu within the SEB Configuration section on the left hand side.
- You see a list of all available exam configuration.
- Use the “Add Exam Configuration” action on the action pane on the right hand side to create a new exam configuration
- The creation form at least needs a unique name for the exam configuration. You can also add a description or hint to recognize and find this configuration more easily later on.
- In the “Status” field you are able to choose if the configuration is still under construction and cannot be added to exams yet, or if it is ready to use.
- Save the form with the “Save Exam Configuration” action on the right action pane to create the configuration.
- After successfully saved the new exam configuration use “Edit SEB Settings” to open all the SEB settings that can be defined for a exam.
- For more information about the individual SEB settings see [SEB Configuration](#).
- In the SEB settings view use the “Save / Publish Settings” action to save your settings.

Note: Changes in SEB settings are automatically sent to the server and stored within the open working revision of the settings. To make a open working revision active and available for export, exams and other uses, you need to save / publish this settings exclusively by using the “Save / Publish Settings” action. After using this action all the changes are saved in a historical revision and available for use. A new working revision will be created and all the changes

until then will go into the new working revision. To revert all the changes done since last save / publish use the “Undo” action.

Export an Exam Configuration

You want to test an exam configuration manually with a SEB client. Therefore you need to export a existing exam configuration and load it with a SEB client or the SEB configuration tool.

- Sign into SEB Server with your exam administrator role account
- Navigate to the “Exam Configuration” menu within the SEB Configuration section on the left hand side.
- You see a list of all available exam configuration.
- Use the Filter above the list to narrow down the number of entries and to find a specific exam configuration.
- Open the exam configuration either by double-click on the list entry or by selecting the list entry and using the “View Exam Configuration” action.
- In the view mode of the exam configuration use the “Export Exam Configuration” action to start the export download.
- Save the file or open it directly with SEB

Import an Exam Configuration

There is an existing SEB configuration file once created with the SEB config tool that must be imported to use with SEB Server. The SEB configuration files were created with the SEB configuration tool and are all saved with the purpose to start an exam (attribute).

- Sign into SEB Server with your exam administrator role account
- Navigate to the “Exam Configuration” menu within the SEB Configuration section on the left hand side.
- Use the “Import Exam Configuration” action from the right action pane to start an upload dialog.
- Within the upload dialog use the file selector to select the SEB configuration file for importing.
- Give a unique name for the imported exam configuration and a description (optional).
- If the original SEB configuration is password protected, give the password that is needed to decrypt the configuration file.
- Use the OK action on the upload dialog to start the import.
- If the import was successful a new exam configuration with the given name exists.

Copy an Exam Configuration

Since an exam configuration can only be used by one exam you have periodically to create a copy of an existing exam configuration that is already attached to an exam. The copy can then be used to either make first some changes to the settings or add it directly to another exam that has to be configured for SEB.

- Sign into SEB Server with your exam administrator role account
- Navigate to the “Exam Configuration” menu within the SEB Configuration section on the left hand side.
- You see a list of all available exam configuration.
- Use the Filter above the list to narrow down the number of entries and to find a specific exam configuration.
- Open the exam configuration either by double-click on the list entry or by selecting the list entry and using the “View Exam Configuration” action.
- Use the “Copy Exam Configuration” action from the right action pane to open up the copy dialog.
- Within the copy dialog give a new unique name for the new exam configuration and a description if needed.

- Use “With History” apply the whole history of the original exam configuration to be copied or let it unchecked to just copy the last saved / published revision of the original.
- If all information is correct, use the “OK” button of the copy dialog to create the copy.

Note: If there where changes in the working revision of the exam configuration to copy, they will not be included in the copy. Only saved / published changes are included in the copy.

Generate and Export the Config-Key of an Exam Configuration

Usually the **SEB Config-Key** that is used to validate the SEB configuration on the LMS is propagated automatically to a LMS by the SEB Server with the automated SEB restriction feature. But For testing purposes you need to generate and export the **SEB Config-Key** and set it manually on the LMS.

- Sign into SEB Server with your exam administrator role account
- Navigate to the “Exam Configuration” menu within the SEB Configuration section on the left hand side.
- You see a list of all available exam configuration.
- Use the Filter above the list to narrow down the number of entries and to find a specific exam configuration.
- Open the exam configuration either by double-click on the list entry or be selecting the list entry and using the “View Exam Configuration” action.
- Use the “Export Config-Key” action from the right action pane to generate the Config-Key and open a dialog that presents this generated Config-Key.
- Mark the Config-Key hash in the dialog with double-click and copy it (ctrl+c) to the clip-board.

Note: If there where changes in the working revision of the exam configuration to create the Config-Key from, they will not be included in the generation of the Config-Key. Only saved / published changes are included in the Config-Key generation.

Changing SEB Settings of an Exam Configuration in Use

There is an already fully configured exam within SEB Server that is currently running with a prepared exam configuration. You have now realized that some SEB settings are missing or wrong and has to be changed for the exam. This is possible but under some restrictions. See the note below.

Note: When a exam configuration is applied to a currently running exam, the exam configuration is in “Used” state and the SEB settings of the exam configuration are in read only mode. Changing the SEB settings of a exam configuration during a running exam that has already connected clients can lead to unexpected behavior. SEB clients that has already been connected and are in a running session will work with the old configuration while SEB clients that are connecting after a SEB settings change will work with the new configuration. Also the automated SEB restriction with the changed **SEB Config-Key** will be updated immediately after saving / publishing the configuration changes. This may also lead to unexpected behavior and eventually blocking of already connected SEB clients. Therefore SEB Server restricts the change of SEB settings for configurations that are attached to an exam that is currently running to be only possible if there are no active SEB client connections for this exam at the moment when save / publish the SEB setting changes.

- Sign into SEB Server with your exam administrator role account
- To change the SEB Settings of an exam configuration that is attached to an currently running exam, make sure that there are no active SEB client connections. Go to the “Monitoring” section and find and view the concerned exam to make sure there are currently no active SEB client connections.

- Navigate to the “Exam Configuration” menu within the SEB Configuration section on the left hand side.
- You see a list of all available exam configuration.
- Use the Filter above the list to narrow down the number of entries and to find a specific exam configuration.
- Open the exam configuration either by double-click on the list entry or by selecting the list entry and using the “View Exam Configuration” action.
- See that you currently are not able to edit the SEB settings. There is only a “View SEB Settings” action that opens the SEB settings in read-only mode.
- Use the “Edit Exam Configuration” action from the right action pane to open the edit mode of the exam configuration.
- Change the status from “Used” to “Under Construction” to be able to edit the SEB settings again. There will be a message that tells you the implication with changing SEB settings within an exam configuration that is already used by a running exam.
- After saving the exam configuration in “Under Construction” it is now possible to edit the SEB settings for this exam configuration.
- Use the “Edit SEB Settings” action from the right action pane to open the SEB settings form in the edit mode.
- Apply your changes to the settings and use “Save / Publish Settings” to make the settings take effect and trigger a configuration change to the exam. This will check first if there are currently no active SEB clients connected within the running exam that uses this exam configuration. If there is one or more active SEB client connected, the action will deny and inform you about the active SEB clients.

SEB Setting Differences

In the current version (1.0) of SEB Server, there are some differences to some SEB settings and also some SEB settings that are currently not available on the SEB Server.

SEB settings currently not supported by the SEB Server

- Start URL: Since SEB Server has already been contacted by a SEB client when downloading the exam configuration this is not used by the exam configuration on SEB Server. But this can be used as fallback URL in the Client Configuration.
- Embedded Resource: There is currently no embedding supported within exam configurations on SEB Server.
- Additional Dictionaries: There are only the SEB client default dictionaries available in the current SEB Server version.
- Additional Resources: Additional resources are currently not available in the current SEB Server version.
- Embedded Certificates: There is currently no certificate management possible on current SEB Server version.
- Browser Exam Key: There is currently no possibility to generate the Browser Exam Key on the SEB Server. But an already generated Browser Exam Key may be used within the SEB restriction feature on the exam configuration if this feature is supported by the LMS in use.

SEB settings that has a slightly different form or handling in SEB Server comparing to the SEB configuration tool

- Download Directory OSX: Since it is not possible within a web-service to choose a local directory on a remote device this is just a text input where one has to give the full-path to the directory on the client device in text form.

- Log Directory OSX, Log Directory Win: Since it is not possible within a web-service to choose a local directory on a remote device this is just a text input where one has to give the full-path to the directory on the client device in text form.
- Permitted Processes / Executable: This is also just a text input field where one can give the name of the process in text form.

SEB settings from versions before 3.0 that are not supported anymore

- Permitted Processes / Window Handling Process

Exam Configuration Templates

With this feature you can create and manage templates for SEB exam configuration settings. You are able to mainly define default values for each SEB exam settings attribute for an exam config and you are also able to define whether the settings attribute shall be viewed on an exam configuration created from the template or if it shall be hidden.

Note: The exam configuration template feature is the most experimental feature in SEB Server for now and may change for the upcoming releases.

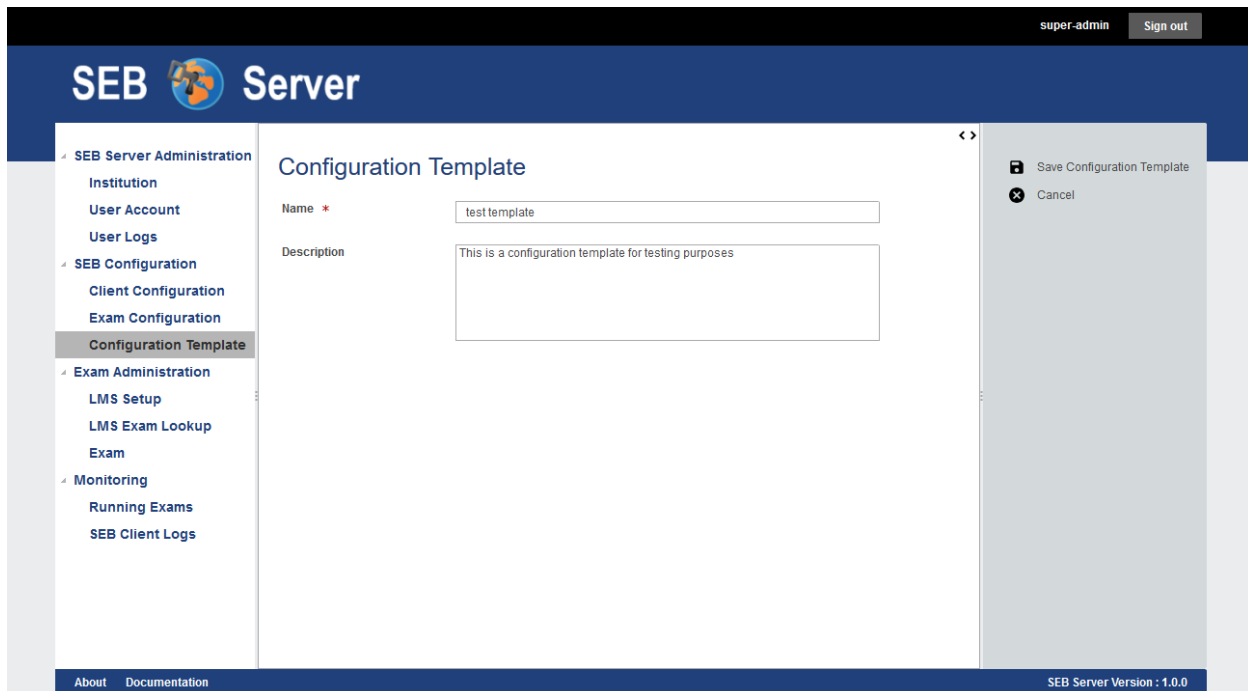
To view all available exam configuration templates go to the “SEB Configuration” section and click on the “Configuration Template” menu entry of the left menu pane. SEB Server will then present you a list of all available exam configuration templates. You can filter and sort the list as usual to find a specific template by name for example.

The screenshot displays the SEB Server web application interface. The top header is dark blue with the 'SEB Server' logo and a user profile 'super-admin' with a 'Sign out' button. The left sidebar is a light blue navigation menu with the following items: SEB Server Administration (Institution, User Account, User Logs), SEB Configuration (Client Configuration, Exam Configuration, Configuration Template), Exam Administration (LMS Setup, LMS Exam Lookup, Exam), and Monitoring (Running Exams, SEB Client Logs). The 'Configuration Template' item is selected. The main content area is titled 'Configuration Templates' and includes a search bar. Below the search bar is a table with the following data:

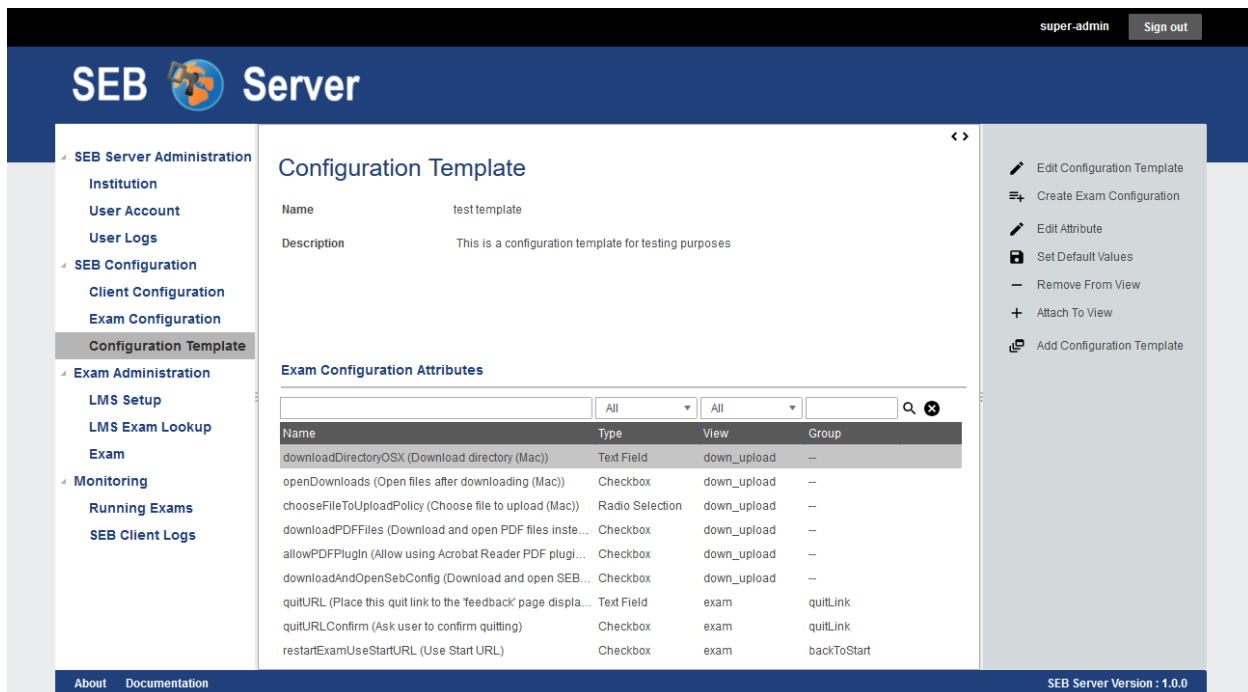
Institution	Name	Description
ETH Zurich	test template	This is a configuration template for test...
ETH Zurich	test2	—
ETH Zurich	test3	—
ETH Zurich	test3bhtehb	—

Below the table, it says 'Page 1 / 1'. On the right side of the main content area, there is a vertical action pane with three buttons: 'View Configuration Template', 'Edit Configuration Template', and 'Add Configuration Template'. The bottom footer is dark blue and contains 'About', 'Documentation', and 'SEB Server Version : 1.0.0'.

To create a new exam configuration template use the “Add Configuration Template” action from the right action pane. You will see the creation form with a name and description for the new template. At least a unique name is mandatory and the description is optional.



To create and save the new exam configuration template use the “Save Configuration Template” action from the right action pane. The template will be created with all default settings attribute and views and you will see the configuration template view page. In the view page you will see the information of the template within the page header following by a list of all exam configuration setting attributes available for a SEB exam configuration on the SEB Server. The name of an attribute is composed of the internal attribute name followed by the display name of the attribute.



The type of the attribute defines the input field type and cannot be changed in any way. The view defines the tab on which the settings attribute is placed. And the group defines the named group where a settings attribute belongs to.

Note: For now the “View” and “Group” properties of an settings attribute cannot be changed, just be set whether the settings attribute shall be shown on its defined view (tab) and within its defined position on the tab or if it shall be hidden at all. In a future version of SEB Server it may possible to also place a settings attribute to another “View” and/or “Group” and also to a certain position of the view grid.

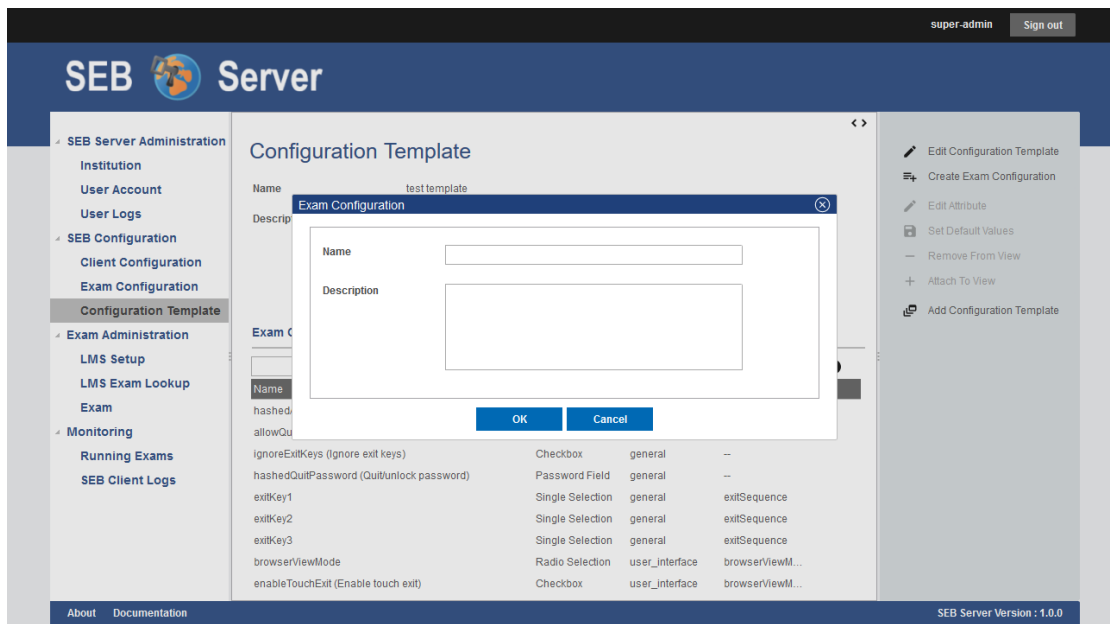
To attach or detach a particular settings attribute for the template from the view to show or hide it in the configuration settings, select the specific settings attribute from the list and use either the “Remove From View” action when you want to remove an attached one, or the “Attach To View” action when you want to attach a hidden settings attribute to the default view.

To define a default value for a specific attribute, select the attribute from the list and use the “Edit Attribute” action from the right action pane to open the settings attribute in edit mode. Or just double click on the specific list entry of the settings attribute.

In the settings attribute edit page you see general information about the attribute on the upper part of the page and on the second part you see the input field if the settings attribute with the current default value set. To alter the default value just use the input field of the attribute to change the value and the change will automatically be set as new default value. If you want to reset the default value of the settings attribute to the original default value, use the “Set Default Values” action from the right action pane to do so. You are also able to attach or detach the settings attribute from the view here by using the “Remove From View” or “Attach To View” actions from the right action pane. To go back to the exam configuration template view use the “View Configuration Template” action from the right action pane.

The screenshot shows the SEB Server web interface. At the top, there's a dark blue header with the SEB Server logo and a user menu for 'super-admin' with a 'Sign out' button. A left sidebar contains a navigation menu with categories like 'SEB Server Administration', 'SEB Configuration', 'Exam Administration', and 'Monitoring'. The 'Configuration Template' option under 'SEB Configuration' is selected. The main content area is titled 'Configuration Template Attribute' and displays details for an attribute named 'downloadDirectoryOSX'. It shows the attribute's type as 'Text Field', its view as 'down_upload', and its group as '--'. Below this, there's a section for 'Configuration Template Attribute Value' with an empty input field. On the right, an action pane contains three buttons: 'Set Default Values', 'Remove From View', and 'View Configuration Template'.

Back in the exam configuration template view you are able to create a new SEB exam configuration directly from this template by using the “Create Exam Configuration” action from the right action pane. The application will present you a creation dialog within a pop-up where you can define a name and description for the new SEB exam configuration. At least a unique name is mandatory.



After defines a name and description for the new SEB exam configuration you can click on “OK” to do so an the application will show you the new created SEB exam configuration in the usual place.

8.1.6 Exams

Within an exam in SEB server all threads come together to set up a e-assessment with Safe Exam Browser and SEB Server. An exam can be imported from a course that exists on an LMS that was binded with a LMS Setup. An exam configuration that was formerly created can be attached to the exam by choosing one from the library. Indicators can be defined that are shown in the monitoring section while monitoring a running exam. And if the API of the specified LMS integration supports individual SEB restriction attributes for a e-assessment, this can also be defined and managed on the exam management of SEB Server.

We will go through all the steps to setting up an exam for Safe Exam Browser with SEB Server one by one.

Import LMS Course as Exam in SEB Server

To be able to configure and manage a course or parts of a course existing on a LMS as an exam on SEB Server we first need to import an exam from the one of the available courses from a LMS that has been setup to use within the SEB Server.

Note: If you don’t have already set up a LMS binding within SEB Server and your institution, you have to do this first. More information about setting up a LMS binding can be found in the chapter [Learning Management System Setup](#)

You will find the list of available courses provided form all LMS that are bound within your institution by going to the “Exam Administration” section on the left hand side and choosing “LMS Exam Lookup”. The SEB Server will present you the list of all available courses and you are able to filter and sort the list as usual to find to right course for import.

Note: The “Start-Time” filter is usually set to the date one year before now or to some other default date in the past. The list shows only the courses that has a start-time after that time. If you have long running courses and it

may possible that a course has been stated a year or two ago, you have to adapt this “Start-Time” filter to view those courses that has been started before.

The screenshot shows the SEB Server web interface. The top navigation bar includes 'super-admin' and 'Sign out'. The left sidebar contains a tree view with categories like 'SEB Server Administration', 'SEB Configuration', 'Exam Administration', and 'Monitoring'. The 'LMS Exam Lookup' option is selected. The main content area is titled 'LMS Exams' and shows a list of exams. The table below represents the data shown in the screenshot:

Institution	LMS	Name	Start Time	End Time
ETH Zürich	test	Demo Quiz 1 (MOCKUP)	2020 Jan 1 09:00	2021 Jan 1 09:00
ETH Zürich	test	Demo Quiz 10 (MOCKUP)	2020 Apr 20 08:00	2020 Apr 20 08:05
ETH Zürich	test	Demo Quiz 2 (MOCKUP)	2020 Jan 1 09:00	2021 Jan 1 09:00
ETH Zürich	test	Demo Quiz 5 (MOCKUP)	2018 Jan 1 09:00	2021 Jan 1 09:00
ETH Zürich	test	Demo Quiz 6 (MOCKUP)	2019 Jan 1 09:00	2021 Jan 1 09:00
ETH Zürich	test	Demo Quiz 7 (MOCKUP)	2018 Jan 1 09:00	2021 Jan 1 09:00

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You can view more details of a course by double-click on the specific list entry or by selecting the list entry and click the “Show LMS Exam Details” action from the action pane on the right hand side. The application will open a pop-up with available detail information of the course.

To import a course as an exam find the specific course on the list by using the filter and select the list entry. Use the “Import As Exam” action from the action pane on the right hand side.

Note: If a course has already ended (End-Time passed) it is not possible to import this course and an appropriate message is shown.

On import, the application is creating an exam on SEB Server with a reference to the imported course on the LMS. All course specific data like name, description, start-, end-time and course-identifier will not be stored on the SEB Server but always be referenced by the underling course. This means, that the course data has to be modified on the LMS side as usual and the SEB Server always takes the actual data from the LMS for the course. This has the advantages of the principle of single responsibility and prevents synchronization issues.

You will see the creation page of the new exam with additional information:

- **Name:** Is the name of the course, defines on the LMS
- **LMS Setup:** Is the name of the LMS Setup on the SEB Server from which the course was imported
- **Start-Time:** Is the date and time when the exam is starting. This is defined on the LMS
- **End-Time:** Is the date and time when the exam ends. This is defined on the LMS
- **LMS Exam Identifier:** Is the identity of the course on the LMS (external identifier/primary key)
- **LMS Exam URL:** Is the start URL of the course/exam

You are now able to initially choose a type for the exam - “Exam Type” - that is currently only used for informational purpose and has no further restrictions or consequences on handling on in SEB Server.

The screenshot displays the 'Import Exam' page in the SEB Server application. The left sidebar contains a navigation menu with categories like 'SEB Server Administration', 'SEB Configuration', 'Exam Administration', and 'Monitoring'. The 'Exam' option under 'Exam Administration' is currently selected. The main content area is titled 'Import Exam' and includes several input fields: 'Name' (Demo Quiz 2 (MOCKUP)), 'Start Time' (2020 Jan 1 09:00), 'End Time' (2021 Jan 1 09:00), 'LMS exam Id' (quiz2), 'LMS exam URI' (http://ralph.ethz.ch/api/), and 'Description' (Demo Quiz Mockup). Below these fields, there is a 'Status' dropdown menu set to 'Running', an 'Exam Type' dropdown menu set to 'Managed Devices', and an 'Exam Supporter' dropdown menu with 'super-admin (super-admin)' selected. On the right side of the page, there are two buttons: 'Save Exam' and 'Cancel'. The bottom of the interface features a footer with 'About' and 'Documentation' links on the left, and the version information 'SEB Server Version : 0.6.5 (RC for v1.0)' on the right.

Furthermore you can select and apply all exam supporter that shall be able to see and support this exam while running. To do so, click in the input field of the attribute “Exam Supporter” to see a drop down list of all available users for selection. To filter the drop down list, start typing characters of the name of the user-account you want to apply to automatically filter the list. Click on the drop-down list entry to select the specified user that will be added to the list below the input field. To add another user to the selection just click again into the input field and select another user. To remove a selected user from the selection-list, double-click on the specified entry of the selection-list.

Note: At least one user account must be selected for the attribute “Exam Supporter”. You are able to change this also later on by editing the exam.

To confirm the import use the “Save Exam” action of the action pane on the right hand side or use “Cancel” if you want to abort the import of the exam and go back to the course list. If you have confirmed and successfully imported the exam, you will see the exam overview page where you are able to edit the details of the exam, apply SEB restrictions of supported by the LMS, apply a SEB exam configuration for the exam and define indicators for monitoring the exam later on.

Exam

Name: Demo Quiz 5 (MOCKUP) LMS Setup: test

Start Time: 2018 Jan 1 09:00 End Time: 2021 Jan 1 09:00

LMS exam Id: quiz5

LMS exam UR: http://ralph.ethz.ch/api/

Description: Demo Quiz Mockup

Status: Running

Exam Type: Managed Devices

Exam Supporter: super-admin (super-admin)

Exam Configuration

Name	Description	Status
test configuration	--	In Use

Indicators

Name	Type	Thresholds
Ping	Last Ping Time	2000 (22b14c) 5000 (ff7e00) 10000 (ed1c24)
Errors	Errors	1 (ff200) 2 (ff20e) 3 (ff7e00) 4 (ed1c24)

Right sidebar actions: Edit Exam, View Configuration, Delete Configuration, Export Configuration, Export Config-Key, Edit Selected Indicator, Delete Selected Indicator, Add Indicator.

How all this different aspects of the exam are defined and prepared is part of the next chapter.

Use Cases

Import a course as exam

To start setting up a course or quiz from an existing LMS as e-assessment with SEB and SEB Server you have to find this course or quiz on the SEB Server and import it as exam. Define a type and apply exam supporter.

- Login as an exam administrator and go to the “LMS Exam Lookup” page under the “Exam Administration” section.
- If you are not sure if the LMS that runs your course has already been setup within the SEB server, go first to the “LMS Setup” page and try to find the particular LMS in the list. If you can’t find it, please contact an institutional administrator or setup the LMS by yourself as described in *Learning Management System Setup*.
- Find your course or quiz by using the filter of the list and the list navigation as usual.
- Double click on the list entries to get all information about a particular course or quiz.
- Once you have found the course or quiz, select it on the list and use the “Import Exam” action on the right action pane.
- The system will lead you to the exam import page where you see all the details of the course or quiz and where you can set a type and apply exam supporter before importing.
- Choose a type for the imported exam in the “Exam Type” selection. The type of an exam is currently just informative and will cause no restriction for the imported exam.
- Select as many exam supporter as you want to be able to support the running exam. Read above, how to find and select exam supporter with the drop down multi selection.
- When all is properly set, use the “Save Exam” action on the right action pane to save the exam and complete the task.

Prepare Exam

This chapter is about setting up and prepare a already imported exam on SEB Server. If you don't have imported a course or quiz from LMS as an exam into SEB Server, please see the previous chapter for detailed guidance about hot to import an exam.

To find a specific exam that has already been imported, go to “Exam Administration” / “Exam” on the navigation menu on the left hand side to see a list of all available exams. You are able to filter and sort the list as usual to find to right course for import.

Note: The “Start-Time” filter is usually set to the date one year before now or to some other default date in the past. The list shows only the courses that has a start-time after that time. If you have long running courses and it may possible that a course has been stated a year or two ago, you habe to adapt this “Start-Time” filter to view those courses that has been started before.

Double click on the list entry of the exam or select the list entry and use the “View Exam” action of the action pain on the right hand side to open the exam in the detail view. Within the detail view of the exam you are able to edit the exam attribute, apply SEB exam configuration and indicators for monitoring as well as defining details of the SEB restriction if this feature is available from the LMS.

Note: If an exam is already running but is missing some essential setup, this is noted by the system. In the exam detail view the system displays a red framed message on the top of the page that points out the missing configuration parts. A running exam with missing setup is also marked red in the lists to indicate that they are not ready to go and need some missing setup or preparation.

The screenshot shows the SEB Server Administration interface. On the left is a navigation sidebar with categories: SEB Server Administration (Institution, User Account, User Logs), SEB Configuration (Client Configuration, Exam Configuration, Configuration Template), Exam Administration (LMS Setup, LMS Exam Lookup, Exam), and Monitoring (Running Exams, SEB Client Logs). The 'Exam' option is selected. The main panel displays the 'Exam' detail view. At the top, a red banner contains a note: 'Note: This exam is already running but has some missing settings'. Below this, a list of missing settings is shown: '- There is no configuration defined for this exam. Use 'Add Configuration' to attach one.' and '- There is no indicator defined for this exam. Use 'Add Indicator' on the right to add an indicator.' The exam details are as follows:

Name	Demo Quiz 1 (MOCKUP)	LMS Setup	test
Start Time	2020 Jan 1 09:00	End Time	2021 Jan 1 09:00
LMS exam Id	quiz1		
LMS exam URI	http://ralph.ethz.ch/api/		
Description	Demo Quiz Mockup		
Status	Running		
Exam Type	Managed Devices		
Exam Supporter	super-admin (super-admin)		

Below the details, there are two sections: 'Exam Configuration' and 'Indicators'. Both sections have a table header with columns for Name, Description, and Status (for configuration) or Name, Type, and Thresholds (for indicators). Both sections display a message: 'There is currently no [configuration/indicator] defined for this Exam. Please add one/create a new one'. On the right side of the interface, there are three action buttons: 'Edit Exam', 'Add Exam Configuration', and 'Add Indicator'.

At the beginning of the page - if there is no note - you see all the details of the exam.

- **Name:** Is the name of the course, defines on the LMS

- **LMS Setup:** Is the name of the LMS Setup on the SEB Server from which the course was imported
- **Start-Time:** Is the date and time when the exam is starting. This is defined on the LMS
- **End-Time:** Is the date and time when the exam ends. This is defined on the LMS
- **LMS Exam Identifier:** Is the identity of the course on the LMS (external identifier/primary key)
- **LMS Exam URL:** Is the start URL of the course/exam

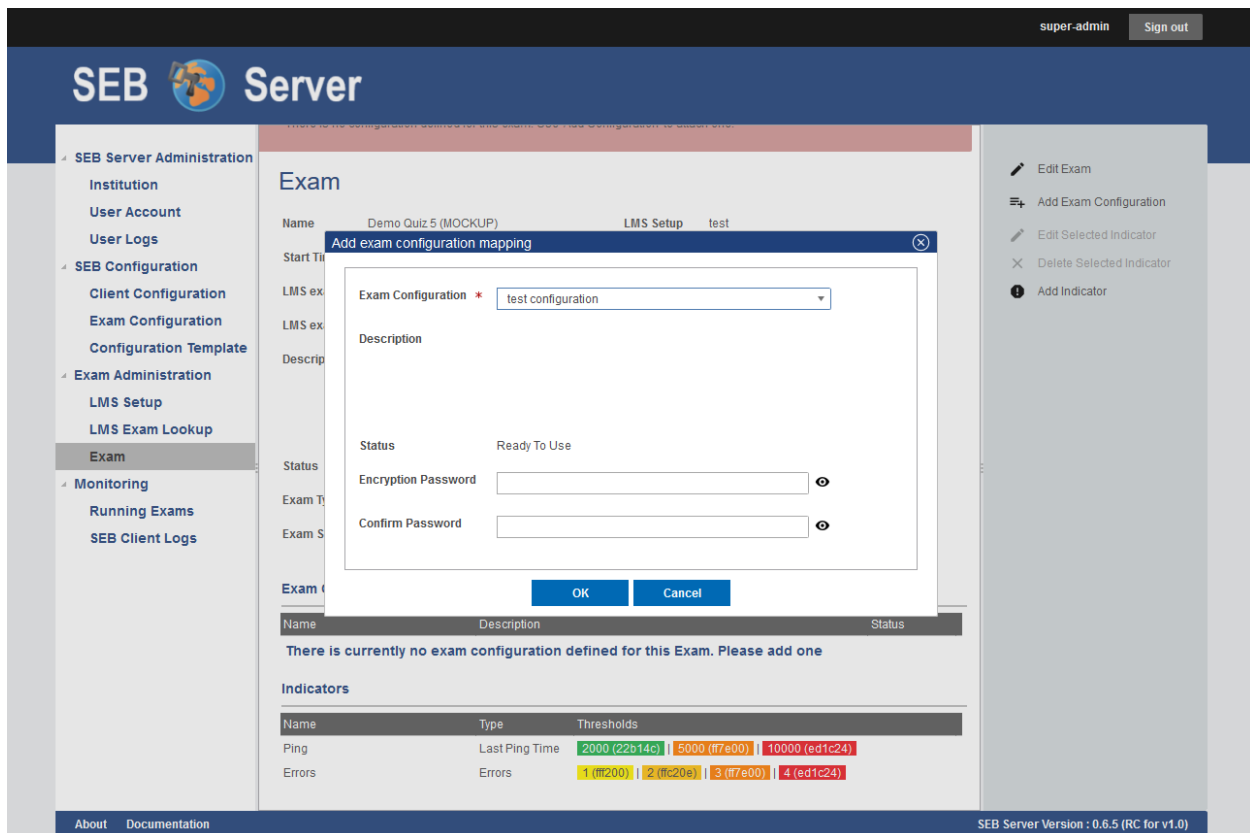
To edit the SEB Server relevant attributes you can use the “Edit Exam” action from the action pain on the right hand side to switch to the exam edit mode. In the exam edit mode you can modify the type of the exam “Exam Type”. The exam type has currently only informational character and has no implication on SEB Server side but may be used in the future to apply to different exam scenarios for SEB Server and SEB. Here you can also manage the accounts that shall be able to support and monitor the exam. To do so, use the multi combo selection within the “Exam Supporter” attribute. Click in the input field of the attribute “Exam Supporter” to see a drop down list of all available users for selection. To filter the drop down list, start typing characters of the name of the user-account you want to apply to automatically filter the list. Click on the drop-down list entry to select the specified user that will be added to the list below the input field. To add another user to the selection just click again into the input field and select another user. To remove a selected user from the selection-list, double-click on the specified entry of the selection-list.

Apply SEB Exam Configuration

Just below the exam details you will find the list of applied SEB exam configurations. Currently the number of SEB exam configurations that can be applied to an exam is restricted to one since it is not yet possible to apply a SEB exam configuration not just to the exam but also to a specific user or a specific group of users. This feature may come with a future release of seb server. But for now you are able to apply just one SEB exam configuration to the exam and this configuration gets delivered to all the SEB clients that connect to the SEB server and participate to the exam.

To apply a SEB exam configuration to an exam use the “Add Exam Configuration” action on the right action pane. A pop-up will prompt you to select an SEB exam configuration by a drop-down selection. The drop-down box will present you all SEB exam configurations that are in state “Ready To Use” and that are not already used by another exam. If there are more SEB exam configurations in the selection as fitting into the drop-down box, you can either scroll the content of the drop-down box or start typing the name of SEB exam configuration to filter the list. After selecting a SEB exam configuration, the pop-up shows the description and the status of the selected configuration.

Note: If there are no SEB exam configurations available for applying, the application will note this within a pop-up message. In this case you can create a new one for this exam as described in seb_restriction-label



There is also the possibility to encrypt the SEB exam configuration by a password. This is done before the SEB configuration is sent to a connecting SEB client. Since in the most cases the SEB client connections are over HTTPS / TLS there is already a good protection in place and an additional encryption of the SEB exam configuration is not recommended. Anyways, if you decide to use the additional password encryption, the SEB client that receives the encrypted SEB exam configuration will prompt the user for the password to proceed and connect to the LMS.

Note: If you need to use the same SEB exam configuration for different exams, you can just make a copy of a SEB exam configuration that is already used by another exam. - To do so go to the “Exam Configuration” section and find the specified SEB exam configuration by using the filter. If you have found the SEB exam configuration double-click on the table entry to open the SEB exam configuration. Then use the “Copy Exam Configuration” action from the right action pane. A pop-up will prompt you to give a new name and optionally description for the copy. Click “OK” and the system will generate a copy of the original SEB exam configuration with the new name and description and will lead you to the details page of the copy configuration.

Click the “OK” button on the pop-up to apply the selected SEB exam configuration. You will see the applied SEB exam configuration in the list. If the automated SEB restriction feature is supported by the LMS of the exam, the application of a SEB exam configuration will automatically update the SEB restriction details with the generated Config-Key. See `seb_restriction-label` for more information.

The screenshot shows the SEB Server Administration web interface. The top navigation bar includes the 'SEB Server' logo and a 'super-admin' user profile with a 'Sign out' button. The left sidebar contains a tree view of navigation options: SEB Server Administration, Institution, User Account, User Logs, SEB Configuration, Client Configuration, Exam Configuration (selected), Configuration Template, Exam Administration, LMS Setup, LMS Exam Lookup, Exam (selected), Monitoring, Running Exams, and SEB Client Logs. The main content area is titled 'Exam' and displays details for 'Demo Quiz 1 (MOCKUP)'. It includes fields for Name, LMS Setup (test), Start Time (2020 Jan 1 09:00), End Time (2021 Jan 1 09:00), LMS exam Id (quiz1), LMS exam UR (http://ralph.ethz.ch/api/), and a Description (Demo Quiz Mockup). Below these fields, it shows Status (Running), Exam Type (Managed Devices), and Exam Supporter (super-admin (super-admin)). At the bottom of the main area is an 'Exam Configuration' table with one entry: 'Configuration 123' with a description 'This is a test configuration used to demonstrate an e-assessment with ...' and status 'In Use'. The right-hand pane contains a list of actions: Edit Exam, View Configuration, Delete Configuration, Export Configuration, Export Config-Key, and Add Indicator. The footer shows 'About' and 'Documentation' links, and the version 'SEB Server Version : 0.6.6 (RC for v1.0)'.

When a SEB exam configuration is applied to the exam you are able to export the SEB exam configuration XML in plain text or the generated Config-Key for testing purposes. Just select the SEB exam configuration in the list to activate the action on the action pain on the right side and use the appropriate action. The SEB exam configuration export action will instruct the browser to open a download dialog. How the download is applied is up the the browser of use. Usually you are able to either save the file or open it up with a application. If you have already installed the Safe Exam Browser on your device, the browser probably associates the download file already with the SEB client application.

To just generate the Config-Key for testing purposes or to manually apply it on an LMS without the automated SEB restriction feature you can use the “Export Config-Key” action to generate the key. The Config-Key is presented by a pop-up and can be selected and copied to the clip-board. For more information about the Config-Key its purpose and use, please visit the [SEB documentation](#).

To remove an already applied SEB exam configuration from the exam, select the SEB exam configuration in the table and use the “Delete Exam Configuration” action form the right action pane. If the automated SEB restriction feature is supported by the LMS of the exam, the removal of a SEB exam configuration will automatically update the SEB restriction details and remove the Config-Key form the restriction details. See `seb_restriction-label` for more information. Once you have removed a SEB exam configuration from the exam you are able to apply another one to the exam.

You can navigate directly to the SEB exam configuration details page by double-click on the table entry of the SEB exam configuration. You will then see the details of the SEB exam configuration as well as a table of exams where this SEB exam configuration is used. Since for now it is only possible to apply one SEB exam configuration to one exam, there is only one entry and you can quickly navigate back to the exam be also double-click on the table entry of the exam.

Other Features

Currently there are two other features that can be managed within the exam administration.

- **:ref:‘exam-indicators-label‘** : Define indicators to measure values for each connected SEB client when an exam is running. And

define thresholds for the indicators to show incidences.

- **:ref:'seb_restriction-label'** : If this feature is supported within the underling LMS of the exam, you are able to automatically

restrict the course or quiz on the LMS for SEB only access and may also be able to set the conditions and attributes for the restriction as defined by the LMS.

Use Cases

Apply or remove exam supporter

Exam supporter “Eric” was planed to support the upcoming exam but he cancelled for reasons of illness and exam supporter “Anie” will take over. Therefore you have to remove Eric from the exams supporter list while also adding Anie to the list. So she will be able to support the running exam.

- Login as an exam administrator and go to the “Exam” page under the “Exam Administration” section.
- Use the filter to find the exam on that you have to change the supporter assignments.
- Double click the list entry of the exam to go to the exam details page. Check if you are on the right exam.
- Use the “Edit Exam” action form the right action pane to go into the exam edit page.
- Find Eric’s user account on the list of selected exam supporter and use the minus sign icon on the entry to remove Eric from the list of exam supporter
- Click into the input field of the exam supporter selector and start typing the name of Anie’s account. The drop down will present you all matching entries. Select Anie’s account to add it to the list of selected exam supporter.
- Use the “Save Exam” action on the right action pane to save and confirm the task. This will lead you also back to the exam details page.
- Check again if all exam supporter are correctly assigned for the exam.

Change the type of exam

Although the exam type has just informative character for now and did not affect the exam in any other way, you have to change the type because your institution use the type information of the exam to set them into context.

- Login as an exam administrator and go to the “Exam” page under the “Exam Administration” section.
- Use the filter to find the exam on that you have to change the supporter assignments.
- Double click the list entry of the exam to go to the exam details page. Check if you are on the right exam.
- Use the “Edit Exam” action form the right action pane to go into the exam edit page.
- Use the drop down selection to change the type of the exam.
- Use the “Save Exam” action on the right action pane to save and confirm the task. This will lead you also back to the exam details page.

Apply a SEB exam configuration

- Login as an exam administrator and go to the “Exam” page under the “Exam Administration” section.
- Use the filter to find the exam on that you have to change the supporter assignments.
- Double click the list entry of the exam to go to the exam details page. Check if you are on the right exam.
- If the exam has already one exam configuration attached you have first to delete this attachment before being able to attach another exam configuration. Use the “Delete Configuration” action from the right action pane to remove the attached exam configuration.

- Use the “Add Exam Configuration” action from the right action pane to open up the attachment dialog.
- If there is currently no exam configuration that can be attached to the exam, an information dialog will be shown instead of the attachment dialog.
- On the attachment dialog use the drop down selection to select the exam configuration you want to apply to the exam. The drop down selection shows the names of the available exam configurations and you can filter this names by start typing the name of the exam configuration you want to find in the input field of the selection.
- When you have selected a exam configuration the dialog shows you some additional information about the exam configuration.
- If you want or need to put an password protected encryption to the exam configuration for this exam you can do so by give the password for the encryption also within the attachment dialog. Be aware that every SEB client that will receive an encrypted exam configuration from the SEB Server will prompt the user to give the correct password. In most cases an encryption of the exam configuration is not needed, because a secure HTTPS connection from SEB client to SEB Server is already in place.

Monitoring Indicators

For monitoring connected SEB clients, SEB server supports some indicators that can be defined within an exam and that are shown and measured during an exam. When you import, the application automatically creates a default ping-indicator for the exam. You are able to modify this default indicator and also add some other indicators to the exam to be able to get notified while monitoring a exam session.

The type of indicators are pre-defined within the SEB Server and restricts the number of available indicators that can be used. Currently following indicators are supported:

- **Last Ping Time:** This indicator measures the time that has passed since the last ping from a specified SEB client was received. This can be used to monitor constant SEB client connections and get notified when a SEB client connection gets lost for some defined time or when a SEB client connection that has been lost is back again. This indicator is used as default indicator and automatically applied to the exam on import. You are able to modify this indicator and also delete it but we recommend to have this basic indicator in place for every exam.
- **Errors:** This indicator measures the number of error-logs a specified SEB client is sending to the SEB Server.
- **Warnings:** This indicator measures the number of warning-logs a specified SEB client is sending to the SEB Server.

You can define thresholds for each indicator. A threshold is defined by an indication-color and by a threshold-value. On the monitoring side, the indicator for each SEB client connection will change to the threshold color when the measured indicator value has reached the threshold-value.

To add a new indicator to the exam you can use the “Add Indicator” action from the right action pane. In the indicator edit page you are able to give the new indicator a name. This name will be displayed in the SEB client connection table on monitoring section as column name for the column of this indicator. Then you are able to choose a “Type” that specifies the type of indicator. Choose this from a drop-down selection of supported indicators. If you have selected one indicator type, a description will be shown just below the “Type” attribute.

You can define a “Default Color” for the indicator. An indicator which measured value has not reached any defined threshold will be shown in this color on the SEB client connection table of the monitoring section.

Note: To select a color click on the brush-palette icon of the color input field to open up a color chooser pop-up window. Within the color chooser you can select one of the basic colors provided by the chooser or by defining the red, green and blue part of the color.

The screenshot shows the SEB Server Administration interface. The top navigation bar includes 'super-admin' and 'Sign out'. The sidebar on the left contains the following links: SEB Server Administration, Institution, User Account, User Logs, SEB Configuration, Client Configuration, Exam Configuration, Configuration Template, Exam Administration, LMS Setup, LMS Exam Lookup, Exam (highlighted), Monitoring, Running Exams, and SEB Client Logs. The main content area is titled 'Indicator' and shows the configuration for 'Demo Quiz 5 (MOCKUP)'. The form includes fields for 'Name' (set to 'Ping'), 'Type' (set to 'Last Ping Time'), and 'Type Description' (explaining that the indicator shows time in milliseconds since the last ping). Below these is a 'Default Color' field set to 'b4b4b4'. At the bottom is a 'Thresholds' table with three rows: Value 2000 (Color 22b14c), Value 5000 (Color ff7e00), and Value 10000 (Color ed1c24). Each row has icons for adding and removing thresholds. On the right, there are 'Save' and 'Cancel' buttons. The footer shows 'About', 'Documentation', and 'SEB Server Version : 0.6.5 (RC for v1.0)'.

Below the default color you see a list of thresholds. Use the plus sign icon to add a new threshold to the list and on an existing threshold use the minus sign icon to remove a particular threshold from the list. A threshold has a threshold-value and a threshold-color. The threshold value must be set in the format of the measured indicator value that is described within the type description. This is usually an integer or floating-point number. The color for each threshold can be set using the color chooser tool by clicking on the brush-palette icon on the right side of each threshold. The color chooser pop-up is the same as for the default color.

Note: In the monitoring section when the exam is running, an indicator will be shown within a column with given name of the indicator in the SEB connection table. For each connection the measured indicator value will be displayed in the cell of the individual SEB client connection rows. If the measured indicator value for a particular SEB client reaches a defined threshold, the cell will be displayed in the defined color of the threshold.

Use Cases

Add an indicator

- Login as an exam administrator and go to the “Exam” page under the “Exam Administration” section.
- Use the filter to find the exam on that you have to change the supporter assignments.
- Double click the list entry of the exam to go to the exam details page. Check if you are on the right exam.
- Use the “Add Indicator” action from the right action pane to create a new indicator. This will lead you to the indicator edit page.
- Set a name for the indicator and choose the type of indicator you want to use. Read the description above to learn more about indicators and supported types of indicators.
- You can also define a default color for the indicator that is displayed on the monitoring page while the exam is running and a particular SEB client has no incidence as defined for this indicator.
- To select a color use the brush-palette icon on the right side of the color input field to open up a color chooser dialog.

- Now you can define some threshold for the indicator that will help you find incidents and get informed about on the monitoring while the exam is running. To do so you can use the plus icon on the threshold list to add a new empty threshold to the list. You can choose a value for the threshold and a color that would indicate an overflow of the given value from the measured value of the indicator.
- To remove a already defined threshold from the list of threshold, use the minus icon on the right side of the particular threshold.
- When everything is set up properly use the “Save Indicator” action to save the indicator and go back to the exam details page.
- Back in the exam details page, you can check if your indicator is in the list and all thresholds are correctly set by going down to the indicators list of the exam.

Modify indicators

- Login as an exam administrator and go to the “Exam” page under the “Exam Administration” section.
- Use the filter to find the exam on that you have to change the supporter assignments.
- Double click the list entry of the exam to go to the exam details page. Check if you are on the right exam.
- Scroll down to the indicator section of the exam details page and find the indicator you want to modify.
- Double click on the indicator entry from the list to open the indicator edit page.
- In the indicator edit page modify the indicator for your new needs. Add / remove thresholds or change the name or type of the indicator.
- To confirm your changes and save the indicator, use the “Save Indicator” action from the right action pane.

Delete an indicator

- Login as an exam administrator and go to the “Exam” page under the “Exam Administration” section.
- Use the filter to find the exam on that you have to change the supporter assignments.
- Double click the list entry of the exam to go to the exam details page. Check if you are on the right exam.
- Scroll down to the indicator section of the exam details page and find the indicator you want to delete.
- Select the indicator from the list and use the “Delete Indicator” action from the right action pane to delete the indicator.

8.1.7 Exam Monitoring

A key feature of the SEB Server is the ability to overview and monitor SEB clients that are connected to the SEB Server and participate in a running exam. It is also possible to interact with individual SEB clients that are connected and send them instructions, e.g.: to quit and reload for example. But the main focus lies on monitoring and the SEB Server don't take automated actions but always only shows incidents as they are defined by indicators to a exam supporter. A exam supporter then can take action.

As an exam supporter you see all running exams where you have been assigned to by an exam administrator in a list.

The screenshot shows the SEB Server web application. The top navigation bar includes the 'super-admin' user and a 'Sign out' button. The main header displays the 'SEB Server' logo. The left sidebar contains a tree view of the application's structure, with 'Monitoring' expanded and 'Running Exams' selected. The main content area, titled 'Running Exams', features a search bar, a filter dropdown set to 'All', and a table of active exams. The table lists two exams: 'Demo Quiz 1 (MOCKUP)' and 'Demo Quiz 6 (MOCKUP)', both managed devices with start and end times in January 2020 and 2021. A 'Monitoring' button is visible in the right sidebar. The footer shows 'About', 'Documentation', and 'SEB Server Version : 1.0.0'.

Name	Type	Start Time	End Time
Demo Quiz 1 (MOCKUP)	Managed Devices	2020 Jan 1 09:00	2021 Jan 1 09:00
Demo Quiz 6 (MOCKUP)	Managed Devices	2019 Jan 1 09:00	2021 Jan 1 09:00

To navigate to this list click on the “Running Exams” menu within the “Monitoring” category. And you will see the list with the name of the exam, the type and start- and end-time of the exam. If the exam you looking for is not on the list, please check the start-time filter and make sure that it is set before the start-time of the exam. If not, use the filter to set the date before the exams start-date and use the lens-symbol on the right to apply the new filter. If the exam you are looking for is still not on the list, please contact a exam administrator of your institution to get help and check if you are correctly assigned to the exam as an exam supporter.

To monitor an exam either double-click on the list entry of the exam or select the list entry and use the “Monitoring” action form the right action pane to navigate into the main page of exam monitoring.

On the the main page of exam monitoring you find a list of all SEB client connections that has been connected to the exam since the exam is running. There are some filter switches on the right action pane that may hide some canceled and/or closed SEB connections but you should see at least all active connections instantly.

The screenshot shows the SEB Server web interface. The top bar includes the 'super-admin' user and a 'Sign out' button. The left sidebar contains a navigation menu with categories like 'SEB Server Administration', 'SEB Configuration', 'Exam Administration', and 'Monitoring'. The 'Monitoring' section is expanded, showing 'Running Exams' and 'SEB Client Logs'. The main content area is titled 'Monitoring Exam: Demo Quiz 6 (MOCKUP)' and displays a table of active and closed connections. The table has four columns: 'User Name or Session', 'IP Address', 'Status', and 'Ping'. The right-hand pane contains a list of actions that can be performed on the selected connections.

User Name or Session	IP Address	Status	Ping
connection_003	129.132.197.119	Active	106
connection_013	129.132.197.119	Active	105
connection_014	129.132.197.119	Active	61
connection_017	129.132.197.119	Active	67
connection_046	129.132.197.119	Active	105
connection_058	129.132.197.119	Active	67
connection_059	129.132.197.119	Active	106
connection_089	129.132.197.119	Active	67
connection_069	129.132.197.119	Closed	--
connection_070	129.132.197.119	Closed	--
connection_073	129.132.197.119	Closed	--
connection_076	129.132.197.119	Closed	--

The list is automatically sorted in the way that SEB connections with incidents came to the top of the list and are then sorted by the “User Name or Session” identifier criteria. The general SEB client connection attributes are:

- **User Name or Session** The user account or user session identifier sent by the LMS to the SEB client and from SEB client to the SEB Server. This identifier may vary depending on the LMS that is involved. For Open edX it is the user account identifier (username).
- **IP Address** The IP address of the device the connected SEB client is running.
- **Status** The status of the SEB client connection.

This general attributes are followed by the indicator attributes of all indicator defined by the exam. The column name of an indicator is the name of the indicator defines in the exam and the cell shows the measured value of the indicator for each SEB client connection and the cell is tinted in the color of the reached threshold also defined for each indicator on the exam.

Instructions

Instructions are actions applied to one or more SEB client connections that also can apply a signal to a active SEB Client connection to instruct the SEB client to do a particular action on client side. In the monitoring view you can select one or more list entries with usual list (multi)selection by holding Ctrl or Shift key plus right mouse click(s). Currently there are two instructions.

- **Quit SEB Client** Sends a quit instruction to the SEB Client to quit the session. This can be applied to all active SEB client connection with the “Quit all SEB Clients” action from the right action pane or to all selected SEB client connections with the “Quit Selected SEB Clients” action.
- **Mark As Canceled** Can be applied to all inactive SEB client connections to enforce the inactive SEB client connection to “Canceled” state. This can be used to mark and remove inactive SEB client connection you don’t want to have on the main monitoring board anymore when the filter for canceled SEB client connections is set to hide.

Filter

There are some filter to hide/show SEB client connection of in particular states. These are located in the right action pane has the name of the filter action that will be performed on click and the name of the effected connection status.

With this actions you are able to toggle between hide and show SEB client connection of a particular state.

- **Show/Hide Closed** Use this to show or hide all SEB client connections that are currently in the “Closed” state.
- **Show/Hide Requested** Use this to show or hide all SEB client connections that are currently in the “Requested” state and are not responding anymore.
- **Show/Hide Canceled** Use this to show or hide all SEB client connections that are currently in the “Canceled” state.

Note: When a certain state filter is set to hide and a particular SEB client connection switches into that state, it will automatically be hiding from the list.

Detailed View

To view more details of a particular SEB client connection either select the SEB client connection entry from the list and use the “View Details” action from the right action pane or just double-click the SEB client connection entry from the list. In the details view you also see all the attributes in a form and additional a list of all events and logs the SEB client has sent to the SEB Server for this session so far.

The screenshot shows the SEB Server web interface. The top navigation bar includes 'super-admin' and 'Sign out'. The sidebar on the left contains the following menu items: SEB Server Administration (Institution, User Account, User Logs), SEB Configuration (Client Configuration, Exam Configuration, Configuration Template), Exam Administration (LMS Setup, LMS Exam Lookup, Exam), and Monitoring (Running Exams, SEB Client Logs). The main content area is titled 'SEB Client Connection' and displays details for a specific connection. The details include: Exam (Demo Quiz 6 (MOCKUP)), User Name or Session (connection_066), IP Address (129.132.197.119), Status (Active), and Ping (58). Below the details is an 'Events' table with a search bar and a dropdown menu. The table has five columns: Event Type, Text, Value, Client Time, and Server Time. The table contains several rows of events, mostly 'Warn' and 'Error' types, with text describing the event and values that are often 'NaN'. On the right side of the interface, there are two buttons: 'Back To Monitoring' and 'Quit SEB Client'. The bottom of the interface shows 'Page 1 / 1' and 'SEB Server Version : 1.0.0'.

Event Type	Text	Value	Client Time	Server Time
Warn	some error 67a05d49-978a-4718-b45d-6e40b50fe801	NaN	09:10	09:10
Error	some error fd51b4d9-2105-4304-8080-27c79350ae4d	NaN	09:10	09:10
Warn	some error 67a05d49-978a-4718-b45d-6e40b50fe801	NaN	09:10	09:10
Warn	some error 67a05d49-978a-4718-b45d-6e40b50fe801	NaN	09:10	09:10
Error	some error fd51b4d9-2105-4304-8080-27c79350ae4d	NaN	09:10	09:10
Warn	some error 67a05d49-978a-4718-b45d-6e40b50fe801	NaN	09:10	09:10
Warn	some error 67a05d49-978a-4718-b45d-6e40b50fe801	NaN	09:10	09:10

The table shows the event type that for all log-events is the log-level, The text and a value that has been sent with the event. The Value may be empty and marked as “Not a Number” (NaN). In this table we also have the client- and the server-time of the event. The client-time is the time the SEB client sends along with the event to the SEB Server and the server time is the time the SEB Server got the event. With this it is also possible to see or overview temporary network latency or other irregularities, when this two time values differs much.

In the detail view you are also able to use the instructions “Quit SEB Client” and “Mark as Canceled” for the selected SEB client connection.

Currently there is no export functionality to export all interesting SEB client logs to a CSV table for example. But such a feature will probably come with a next version of SEB Server.

8.1.8 Troubleshooting

This page's purpose is to collect frequently ask questions, problems and workarounds that are reported and known. There shall be at least a problem description, an optional explanation if needed, a solution description and the SEB Server version and domain information. For Example:

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- **Version** : 1.0.0
 - **Domain** : Exam Administration / Exam / Indicator
 - **Problem** : This is an example problem description.
 - **Explanation** : An explanation is not mandatory but shall be provided if you want to give some background information to the problem.
 - **Solution** : A description of the solution, workaround or upcoming fixes.
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