DNSSEC and Signing .uk

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Introduction

- DNSSEC Refresher
- Current .uk infrastructure
- Overview of opendnssec
- New .uk infrastructure
- Challenges in signing second level domains



DNSSEC Refresher

- Provides authentication of DNS responses
- Provides proof of non existence
- New records

DNSKEY Public Key

RRSIG Signature of Resource Record Set

NSECShows next record in zone

NSEC3 Shows next record in zone (hashed)
DS In parent, provides secure delegation.

Howto (simplified)

Create keys (dnssec-keygen) Sign zone (dnssec-signzone)

Make keys available or

Upload DS records to signed parent.

Critical

Keep private keys safe and secure.

Consider and document keyrollover procedures

Secure methods for talking to parents/children

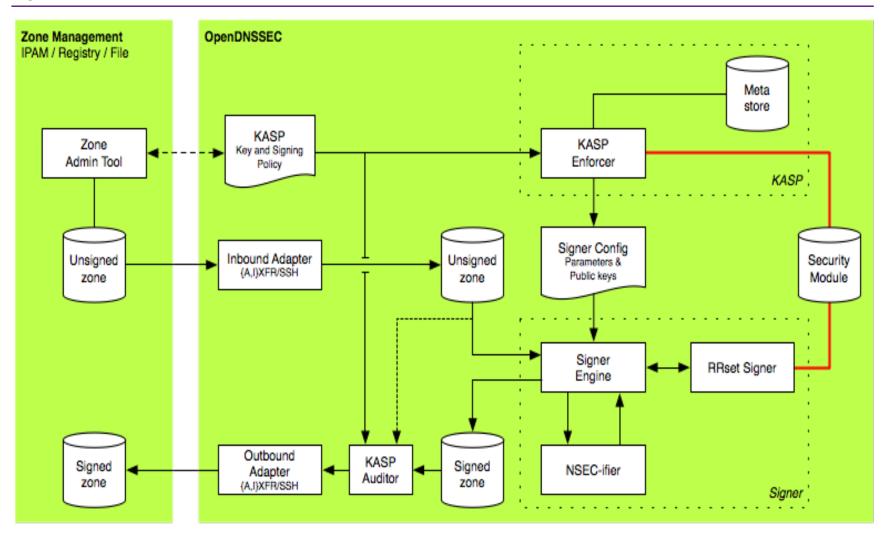
Current .uk infrastructure

- Hidden Master
- Zone under manual edit/control
- AXFR to public master (ns1.nic.uk)
- AXFR to other nameservers (ns2-7,a-d).nic.uk

opendnssec

- Simple turnkey solution for dnssec
- Easy setup and configure
- Set Key and Security Policy (KASP):
 Key algorithim type
 Key Length
 Signature lifetime
 Keyrollover parameters
- Point it at your zonefile(s)
- Load the signed output into your nameserver
- Publish your key and/or upload DS to parent.
- Supports external HSM's with PKCS11 interface
- SoftHSM for testing/development included

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opendnssec

- Developed by:
 - **NLNetlabs**
 - .SE
 - Nominet
 - Surfnet
 - Kirei AB
 - John Dickinson
- First beta release at IETF Stockholm in July
- http://www.opendnssec.se

New .uk Infrastructure

- Hidden Master
- AXFR to Signer running opendnssec with HSM
- AXFR to public master (ns1.nic.uk)
- AXFR to other nameservers (ns2-7,a-d).nic.uk

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Other tasks

- Education and outreach to second level domains
- Publicise to internet community
- Check/change procedures related to information exchange
- Publish the public key(s) in IANA ITAR

Second Level Domain Challenges

- Second level domains are MUCH larger uk 6 Kilobytes co.uk 400 Megabytes
- Second level domains are restricted from external AXFR
- Second level domains are updated using dynamic updates

- Size means opt-in (RFC5155) is a requirement
- AXFR Restriction means NSEC3 (RFC5155) is a requirement
- Dynamic updates mean that continous signing is a requirement
- Update to registry systems for DS records

Questions/Comments