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STIG Profiler

Introduction to STIG Profiler

During an Audit, it is extremely time consuming for an admin/auditor to identify what STIG policies are applicable to nodes in the network. Organizations would benefit immensely if a tool or utility could suggest STIG policies that are applicable for the Nodes within their network.

To address this need, EiQ Networks has developed STIG Profiler tool. This tool is a free tool which can be used to scan a local network and provide a detailed asset profile report which clearly identifies what all STIG policies are to be evaluated for performing a STIG audit for each node.

STIG Profiler has the capability to Detect the following nodes in the network:

- Windows/Linux/Unix Host
- Firewalls
- Routers/Switches
- WLAN Controllers

STIG Profiler has the capability to perform advanced scanning on the below node types:

- Windows desktop
- Windows server
- RHEL
- Solaris
- SUSE
- HPUX

Pre-requisites for using STIG Profiler

1. Machine on which STIG Profiler tool is deployed should have the following minimum system requirements:
 - **CPU:** Dual Core Processor [Quad Core Recommended]
 - **OS Architecture:** 32/64 bit
 - **RAM:** 2 GB
 - **OS:** Windows Server 2003, Windows 7
 - **JRE:** 1.8 is required for generating PDF reports
 - **PDF Reader:** Adobe Reader 10.x
2. Remote Registry service is running on the machines which are scanned by the STIG Profiler. Refer [Permissions for RSOP WMI Method Provider](#) (page 13) and [Permissions for Registry](#) (page 14) for more details.
3. Network Group Policy should allow remote registry access on all the nodes which are scanned by STIG Profiler tool. To ensure remote registry access is allowed:

- a. Go to **Run > gpedit.msc > User Configuration > Administrative Templates > System > Prevent access to registry editing tools.**
 - b. Disable the setting or choose "**Not Configured**".
4. User access control should be turned off for administrator to recommend the STIG policies correctly.
 5. WinPcap 3.0 or above and Microsoft Visual C++ 2010 redistributable packages are required in order to run NMAP scan.

How to Use STIG Profiler application

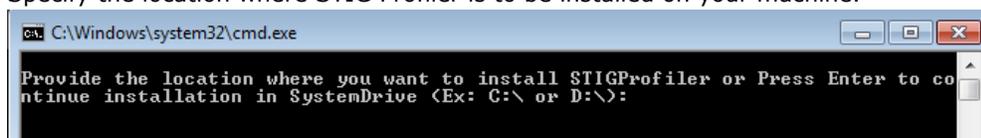
For the Tool to provide a detailed mapping of STIG policies for your network nodes, following activities are to be performed:

1. Identify the IP addresses (nodes) in the Network which needs to be scanned by the tool.
2. Perform a Scan to obtain the Inventory list of organizational assets within the specified IP range. STIG profiler uses Nmap Tool to scan the node inventory details in the specified network IP range.
3. After the Node Inventory list is generated by the scan, users can select nodes of their choice, apply user credentials and generate reports which have STIG Policy recommendation for the respective node.

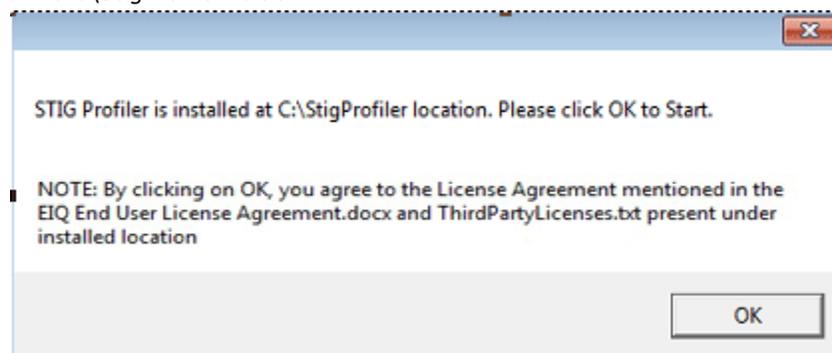
Installing STIG Profiler

Perform the following steps to install the STIG Profiler:

1. Run the STIGProfilerBuild.exe file.
2. Specify the location where STIG Profiler is to be installed on your machine.

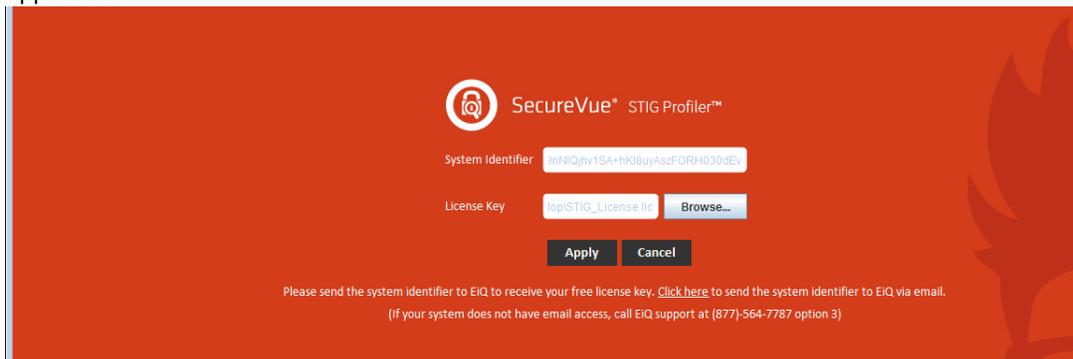


3. Click Enter to install the STIG Profiler build in the default path i.e., %system drive%\StigProfiler folder.

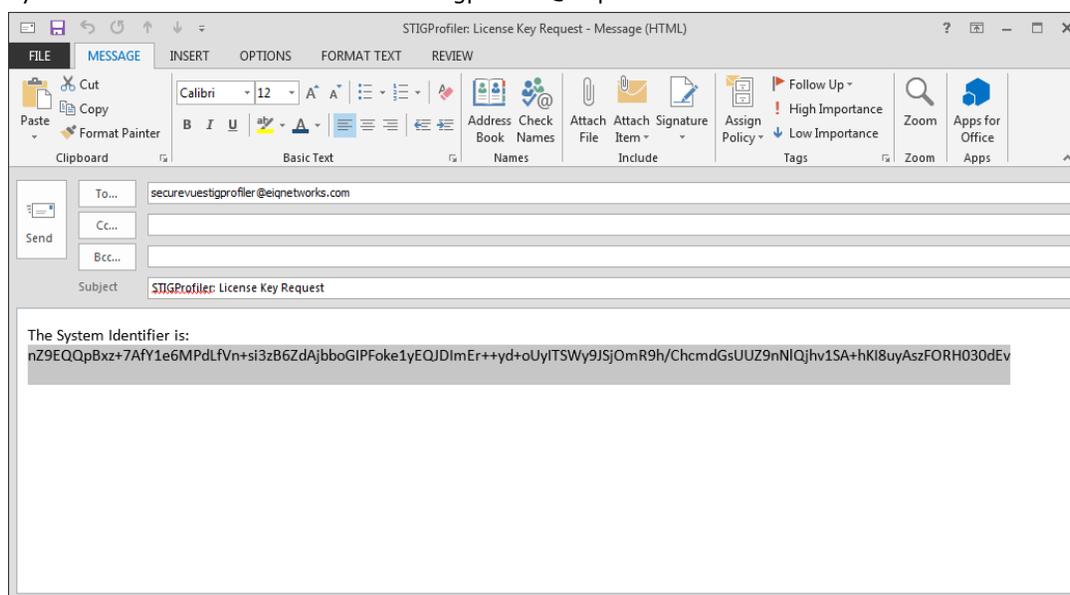


4. Click **OK**. The STIG Profiler window is launched as below. You can also use the STIG Profiler icon on the desktop to open the STIG Profiler application.

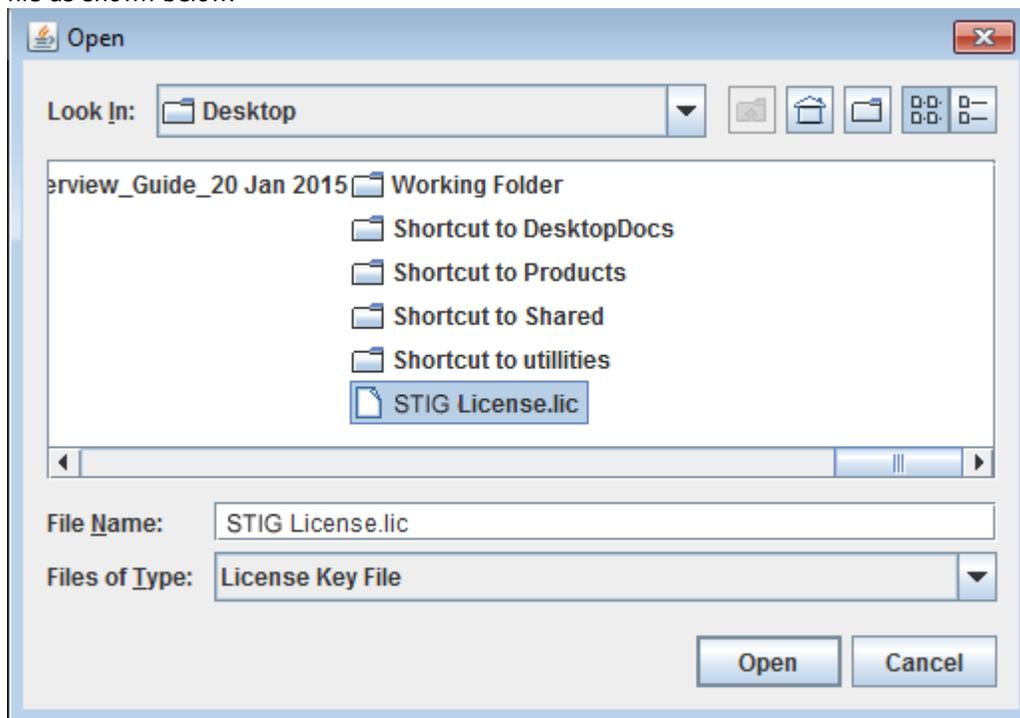
- During first login, you will be prompted to enter a valid license to use the STIG Profiler application.



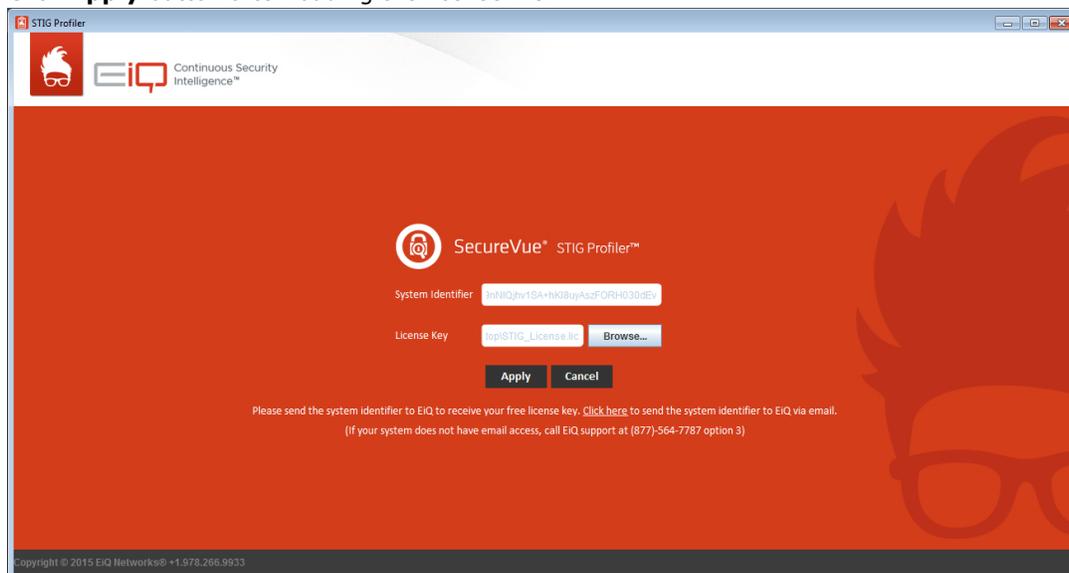
- For obtaining the license, use [click here](#) option and launch the e-mail client to send the system identifier details to securevestigprofiler@eiqnetworks.com.



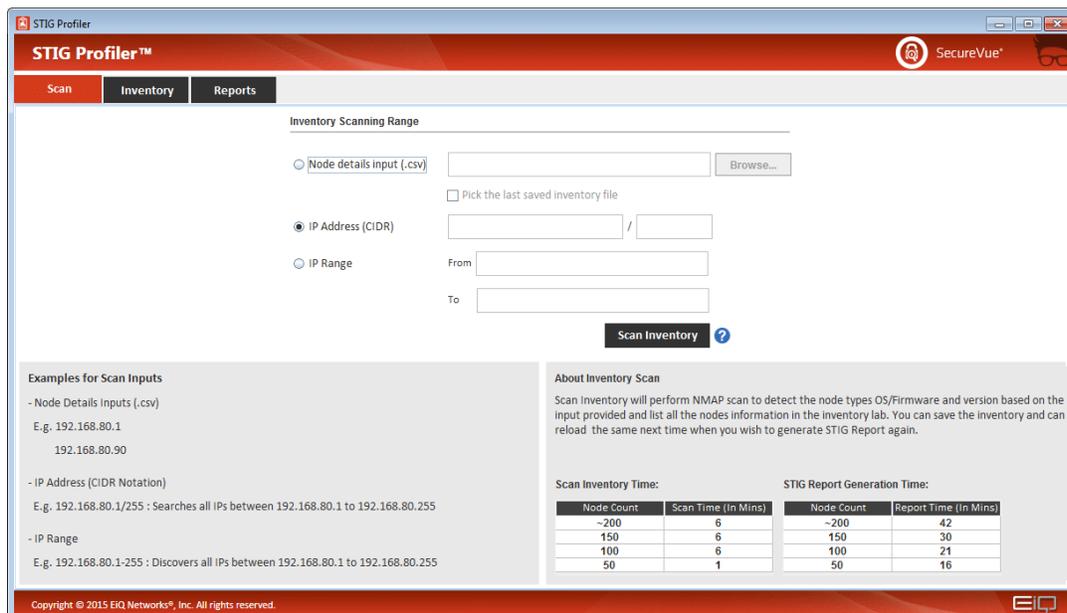
7. EIQ Networks STIG Profiler team generates a valid license for you and is sent to you through e-mail. Save the license onto your local machine and use the **Browse** button to add the License file as shown below.



8. Click **Apply** button after loading the license file.



9. The license is validated and the STIG Profiler application is launched as shown below graphic.



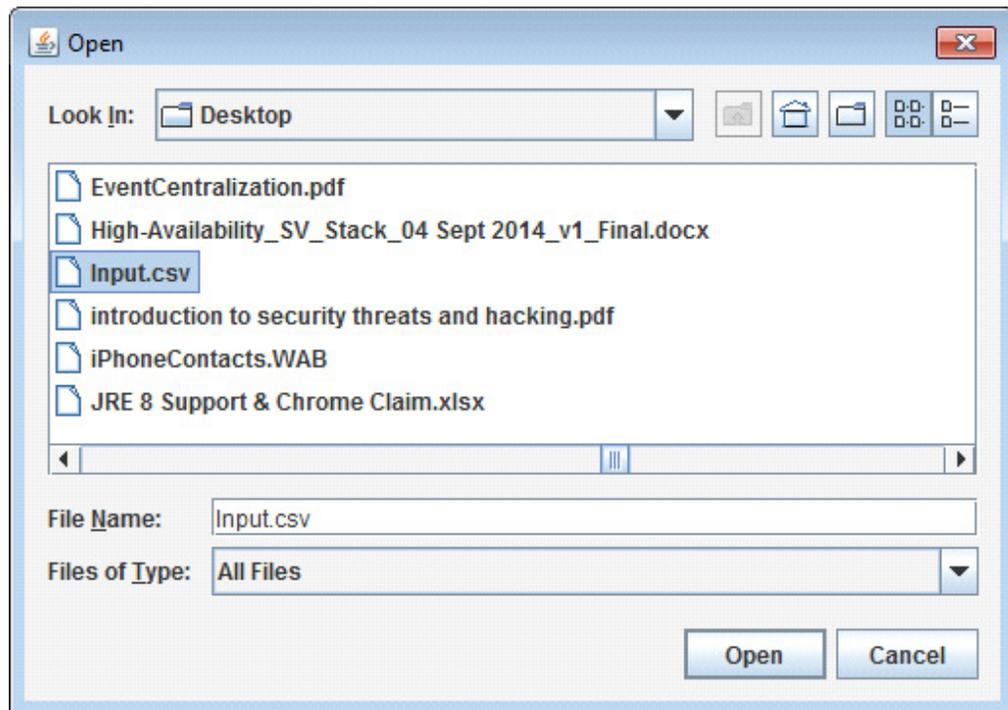
Initiating a Scan

Perform the following steps to initiate a scan:

1. Open the STIG Profiler application.
2. Select **Scan** tab.

This tab presents 3 options for the user to perform a scan in the network.

- a. Scan by using Node details (.csv) file as input.



Each row in the CSV file can be defined as following and can contain IP address of the node as shown below.

NodeIp1

NodeIp2

NodeIp3

- b. Scan through an **IP Address (CIDR)** format as shown below:



- c. Specify IP Range to scan as shown below:



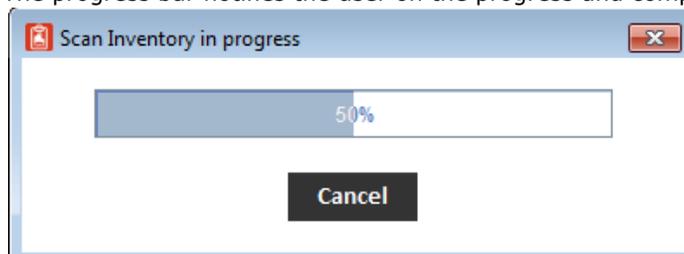
3. Click **Scan Inventory** button to launch the scan.

Connection time-out option for the scan is user configurable. Users can change the time-out parameter "host-timeout" value from %system drive%\ StigProfiler\config\ConfigOptions.ext file.

Note:

Changing the time-out value is mainly needed if the scan is performed on VPN or non-local networks.

- The progress bar notifies the user on the progress and completion of scan.

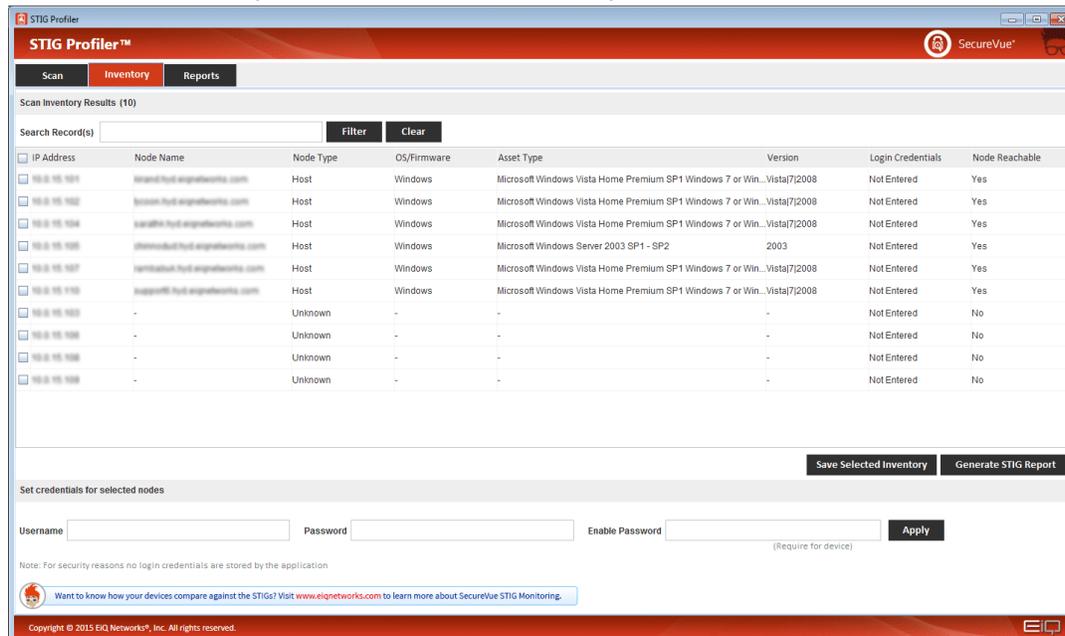


Based on your scan options, nodes in the network are scanned and scan results are populated in the Inventory tab in the form of a list.

Saving Inventory List

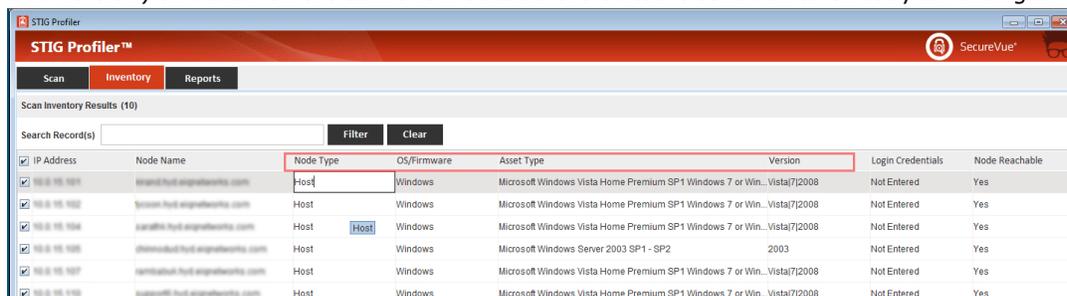
After the completion of Scan, scan results are populated in the Inventory tab. To save the scanned inventory list, do the following:

- Select the IP records you want to save as a Inventory list file.



- You can edit the inventory details collected by the NMAP scan if they are not accurate.
- STIG Profiler allows the user to edit the following fields
 - Node Type (Device/Host/Application)
 - OS/Firmware
 - Asset Type
 - Version

- To edit the values in any of these fields, select a row from the inventory list and double-click the field. The field is now editable. Change the details (Node Type, OS/Firmware, Asset Type and Version) and click on the same row outside the editable text box to effect your changes.



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Scan Inventory Results (10)

Search Record(s) Filter Clear

IP Address	Node Name	Node Type	OS/Firmware	Asset Type	Version	Login Credentials	Node Reachable
10.0.15.101	server01.fort.endpoint.com	Host	Windows	Microsoft Windows Vista Home Premium SP1 Windows 7 or Win...	Vista[7]2008	Not Entered	Yes
10.0.15.102	server02.fort.endpoint.com	Host	Windows	Microsoft Windows Vista Home Premium SP1 Windows 7 or Win...	Vista[7]2008	Not Entered	Yes
10.0.15.104	server03.fort.endpoint.com	Host	Windows	Microsoft Windows Vista Home Premium SP1 Windows 7 or Win...	Vista[7]2008	Not Entered	Yes
10.0.15.105	server04.fort.endpoint.com	Host	Windows	Microsoft Windows Server 2003 SP1 - SP2	2003	Not Entered	Yes
10.0.15.107	server05.fort.endpoint.com	Host	Windows	Microsoft Windows Vista Home Premium SP1 Windows 7 or Win...	Vista[7]2008	Not Entered	Yes
10.0.15.110	server06.fort.endpoint.com	Host	Windows	Microsoft Windows Vista Home Premium SP1 Windows 7 or Win...	Vista[7]2008	Not Entered	Yes

- Use the **Filter** (free text search) option to search for any specific records. Use **Clear** option to clear the filters.
- Click **Save Selected Inventory** button.

Note

Inventory details of only the latest scan is saved at < STIG Profiler Installation Path>\StigProfiler\savedInventory.csv file. Users can re-use this last saved inventory details for generating a report without performing a new scan.

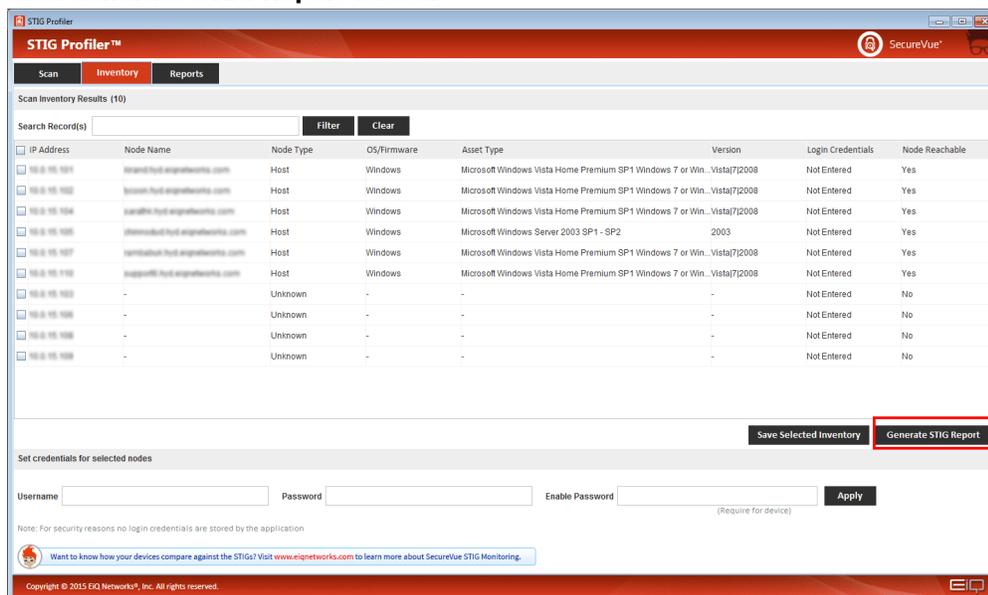


Generating STIG Report

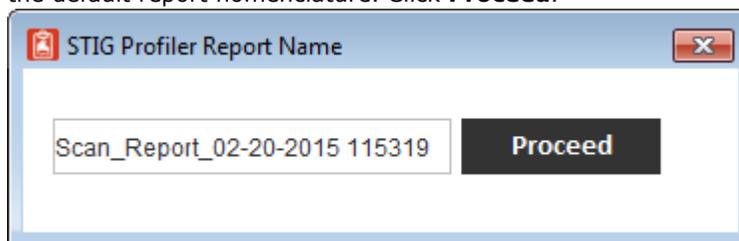
After the completion of Scan, Scan Inventory results are populated in the Inventory tab. you can select the records of your choice and generate the STIG Profiler reports.

- Launch the **STIG Profiler** tool.
- Select the nodes of your choice from the scanned inventory list populated in the **Inventory** tab.
- Specify the **User Name** and **Password** credentials. **Enable Password** details are required if the selected Node Type is a Device.
- Click **Apply** button. After the credentials are applied, the Login Credentials column for the selected nodes indicate the value as Entered.

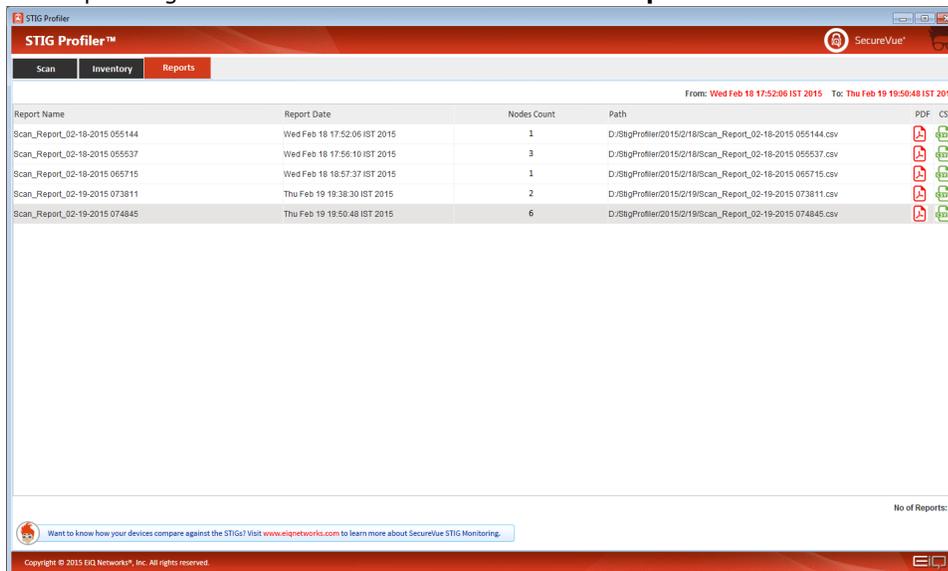
- Click **Generate STIG Report** button.



- You are prompted to provide a name for the report. If no name is provided, STIG Profiler uses the default report nomenclature. Click **Proceed**.



- The report is generated and is made available in the **Reports** tab in **PDF** and **CSV** formats.



- Click the **PDF** or **CSV** icons to launch the report.



Note

By default all the reports generated by STIG Profiler are retained for a period of 1 Year. User can alter the retention period by editing the *retentionPeriod* parameter from StigProfiler\config\ConfigOptions.ext file. Retention period should be provided in Seconds only.

Directions for Updating the DISA STIG Reference list

This section provides directions on how end users of STIG Profiler can update the DISA STIG reference list for new benchmarks published for STIG Policies.

When a STIG Policy benchmark is updated, user can update the same in the mapping file by following the steps below:

1. Open the <%System Drive%>\StigProfiler\config\mapping.txt file, search for the STIG policy that is being updated.
2. Change the benchmark values to reflect the latest version. For example if there is a updated version for "Windows 2003 DC STIG - Version 6, Release 1.35", user need to search and replace the policy entry in the mapping.txt file with the latest revision.
3. Save the file.

When STIG report is generated next time, STIG Profiler would recommend the latest STIG Policy version for the Windows 2003 Hosts.

Failure Cases

This section provides details on the common errors encountered by users while working with STIG Profiler

Failure Cases:

When the target node is not reachable, user need to check whether the target node is up and running in the network.

Connection to the target node may time out if connection is not established in the specified time.

Target nodes are not accessible when the provided credentials are wrong.

Cannot recommend STIG Policies if remote registry, RSOP and WMI services on the target windows node is not running or not accessible.

Permissions for RSOP WMI Method Provider

RSOP (Resultant Set of Policy) is a report of all Group Policy settings within Active Directory that shows how those settings can affect a network, or how existing Group Policy Objects (GPOs) affect various combinations of users and computers when the local security policy is applied.

To set WMI permissions exclusively for certain namespaces, refer to

<http://technet.microsoft.com/en-us/library/cc771551.aspx>

<http://msdn.microsoft.com/en-us/library/aa393613%28v=vs.85%29.aspx>

The following link provides the useful information on RSOP and WMI classes:

[http://msdn.microsoft.com/en-us/library/aa375082\(v=vs.85\).aspx](http://msdn.microsoft.com/en-us/library/aa375082(v=vs.85).aspx)



Permissions for Registry

For "Registry" collection, user is required to have read access to all registry locations.

Registry method is used to collect the data from the windows registry. The registry method seeks key and value (if any) as collection parameter from the defined rule.

For details about security permissions for Registry, refer to [http://technet.microsoft.com/en-us/library/cc728310\(v=ws.10\).aspx](http://technet.microsoft.com/en-us/library/cc728310(v=ws.10).aspx)