

SNMP activation on a Fortinet firewall

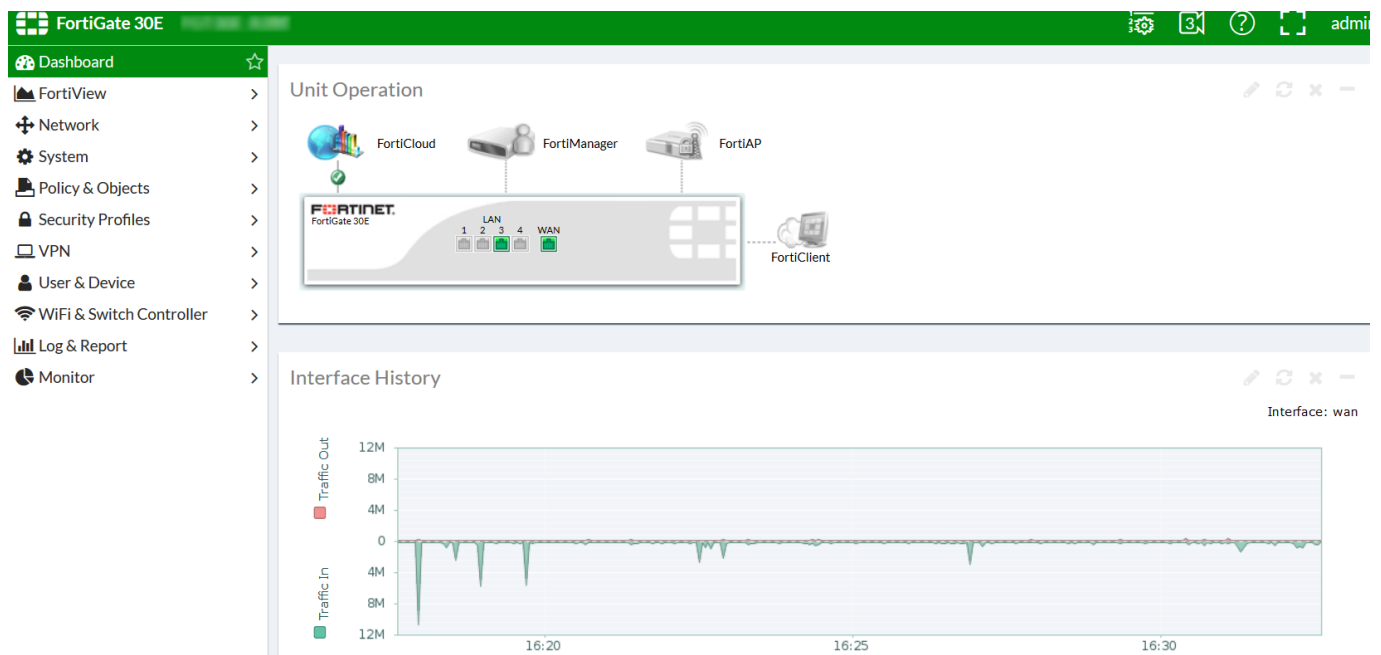


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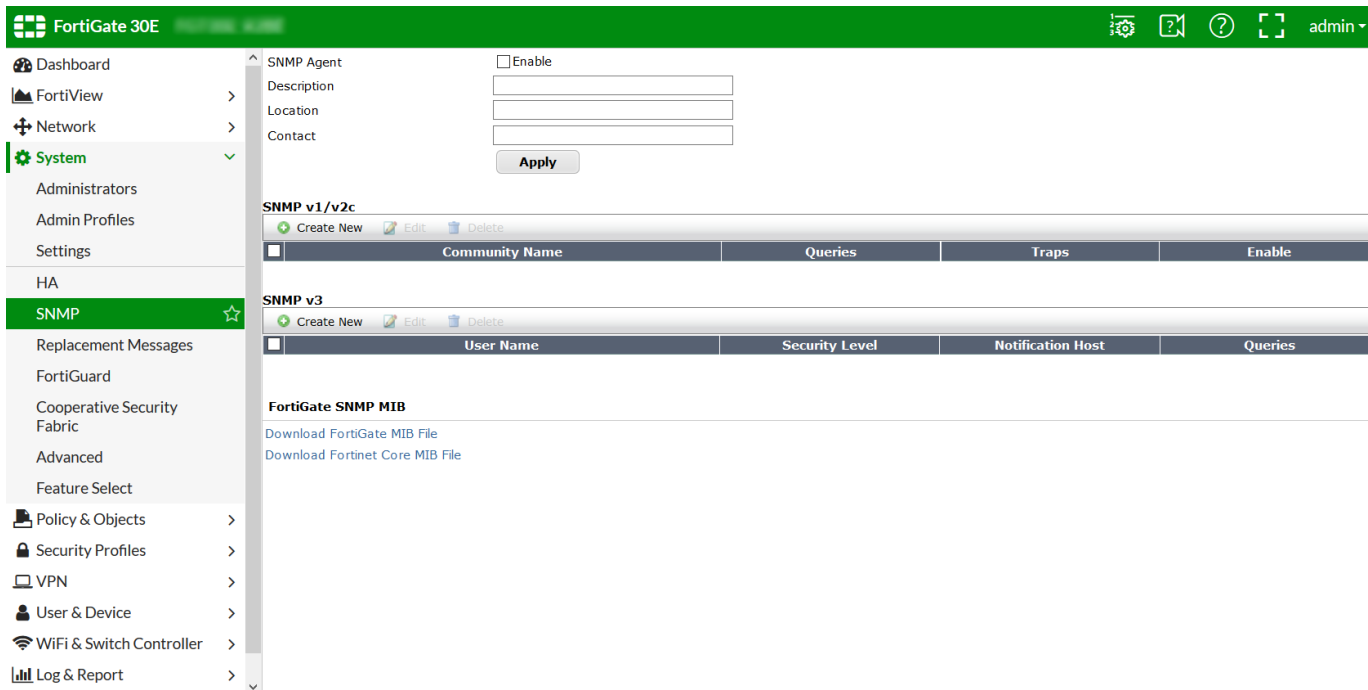
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Via the WEB interface

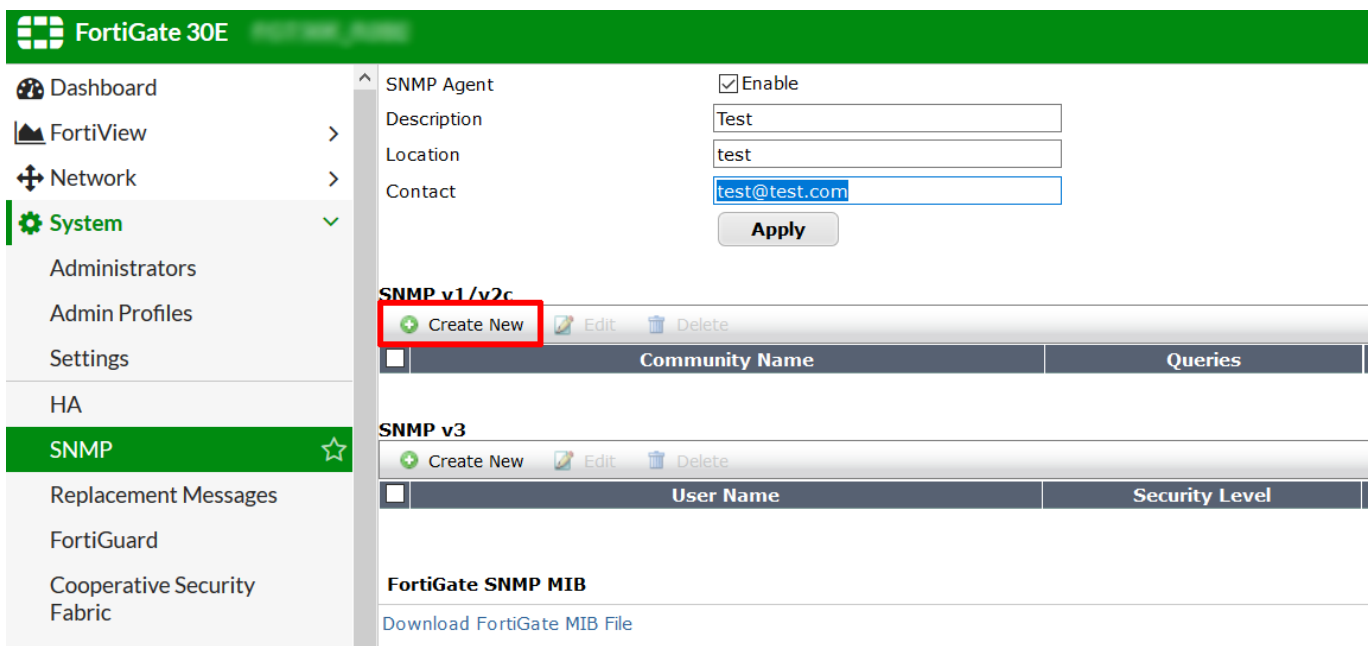
Once you have logged in, you will be taken to the firewall dashboard as shown in the image below.



Click on “System” and then on “SNMP” to go to the SNMP configuration page. As shown below:



Tick the “Enable” box and enter the description, location and contact. Then click on “Apply”. Now you need to create the SNMP community. Just below the “Apply” button, click on “Create New”.



On the page that appears, enter the SNMP community, the IP address of your Esia server or your unity in the HOST field and tick the boxes as shown below. Then click on “Apply”.

New SNMP Community

Community Name:

Hosts:

IP Address/Netmask	Host Type	Delete
<input type="text"/>	Accept queries and send traps	

Queries:

Protocol	Port	Enable
v1	<input type="text" value="161"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
v2c	<input type="text" value="161"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Traps:

Protocol	Local	Remote	Enable
v1	<input type="text" value="162"/>	<input type="text" value="162"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
v2c	<input type="text" value="162"/>	<input type="text" value="162"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

SNMP Events

- CPU usage is high
- Memory is low
- Log disk space is low
- Interface IP is changed
- VPN tunnel up
- VPN tunnel down
- WiFi Controller AP up
- WiFi Controller AP down
- FortiSwitch Controller Session up
- FortiSwitch Controller Session down

Now you need to authorise the SNMP protocol on the LAN interface of your firewall. To do this, go to the "Network" menu and then "Interface". Then tick the SNMP box in "Restrict Access".

Edit Interface

Interface Name: lan

Type: Hardware Switch

Physical Interface Members: lan1, lan2, lan3, lan4

Role: LAN

Addressing mode: Manual | DHCP | PPPoE | Dedicated to FortiSwitch

IP/Network Mask: /255.255.255.0

Restrict Access

Administrative Access: HTTPS, SSH, PING, SNMP, HTTP, FMG-Access, CAPWAP, RADIUS Accounting, FortiTelemetry

DHCP Server

Address Range: Starting IP, End IP

Click "Apply" to save the configuration.

SNMP is now enabled on your Fortigate firewall.

Via CLI/SSH

Once connected via SSH, you can type the following commands to activate SNMP. You will obviously need to adapt the description/contact/location fields.

```
config system snmp sysinfo
  set status enable
  set description "ce que je veux"
  set contact-info "absent"
```

```
set location "Liège"  
end
```

Now that SNMP has been activated, we need to configure the SNMP community using the following commands:

```
config system snmp community  
  edit 1  
    set name "public"  
    config hosts  
      edit 1  
        next  
      end  
    set events cpu-high mem-low log-full intf-ip vpn-tun-up vpn-tun-down  
    ha-switch ha-hb-failure ips-signature ips-anomaly av-virus av-oversize av-  
    pattern av-fragmented fm-if-change bgp-established bgp-backward-transition  
    ha-member-up ha-member-down ent-conf-change av-consume av-bypass av-  
    oversize-passed av-oversize-blocked ips-pkg-update ips-fail-open faz-  
    disconnect wc-ap-up wc-ap-down  
    next  
  end
```

Don't forget to change the community to "public".

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