

**NAME**

provider-kdf - The KDF library <-> provider functions

**SYNOPSIS**

```
#include <openssl/core_dispatch.h>
#include <openssl/core_names.h>

/*
 * None of these are actual functions, but are displayed like this for
 * the function signatures for functions that are offered as function
 * pointers in OSSL_DISPATCH arrays.
 */

/* Context management */
void *OSSL_FUNC_kdf_newctx(void *provctx);
void OSSL_FUNC_kdf_freectx(void *kctx);
void *OSSL_FUNC_kdf_dupctx(void *src);

/* Encryption/decryption */
int OSSL_FUNC_kdf_reset(void *kctx);
int OSSL_FUNC_kdf_derive(void *kctx, unsigned char *key, size_t keylen,
                         const OSSL_PARAM params[]);

/* KDF parameter descriptors */
const OSSL_PARAM *OSSL_FUNC_kdf_gettable_params(void *provctx);
const OSSL_PARAM *OSSL_FUNC_kdf_gettable_ctx_params(void *kcxt, void *provctx);
const OSSL_PARAM *OSSL_FUNC_kdf_settable_ctx_params(void *kcxt, void *provctx);

/* KDF parameters */
int OSSL_FUNC_kdf_get_params(OSSL_PARAM params[]);
int OSSL_FUNC_kdf_get_ctx_params(void *kctx, OSSL_PARAM params[]);
int OSSL_FUNC_kdf_set_ctx_params(void *kctx, const OSSL_PARAM params[]);
```

**DESCRIPTION**

This documentation is primarily aimed at provider authors. See **provider(7)** for further information.

The KDF operation enables providers to implement KDF algorithms and make them available to applications via the API functions **EVP\_KDF\_CTX\_reset(3)**, and **EVP\_KDF\_derive(3)**.

All "functions" mentioned here are passed as function pointers between *libcrypto* and the provider in

**OSSL\_DISPATCH(3)** arrays via **OSSL\_ALGORITHM(3)** arrays that are returned by the provider's **provider\_query\_operation()** function (see "Provider Functions" in **provider-base(7)**).

All these "functions" have a corresponding function type definition named **OSSL\_FUNC\_{name}\_fn**, and a helper function to retrieve the function pointer from an **OSSL\_DISPATCH(3)** element named **OSSL\_FUNC\_{name}**. For example, the "function" **OSSL\_FUNC\_kdf\_newctx()** has these:

```
typedef void *(OSSL_FUNC_kdf_newctx_fn)(void *provctx);
static ossl_inline OSSL_FUNC_kdf_newctx_fn
    OSSL_FUNC_kdf_newctx(const OSSL_DISPATCH *opf);
```

**OSSL\_DISPATCH(3)** array entries are identified by numbers that are provided as macros in **openssl-core\_dispatch.h(7)**, as follows:

OSSL_FUNC_kdf_newctx	OSSL_FUNC_KDF_NEWCTX
OSSL_FUNC_kdf_freetctx	OSSL_FUNC_KDF_FREECTX
OSSL_FUNC_kdf_dupctx	OSSL_FUNC_KDF_DUPCTX
OSSL_FUNC_kdf_reset	OSSL_FUNC_KDF_RESET
OSSL_FUNC_kdf_derive	OSSL_FUNC_KDF_DERIVE
OSSL_FUNC_kdf_get_params	OSSL_FUNC_KDF_GET_PARAMS
OSSL_FUNC_kdf_get_ctx_params	OSSL_FUNC_KDF_GET_CTX_PARAMS
OSSL_FUNC_kdf_set_ctx_params	OSSL_FUNC_KDF_SET_CTX_PARAMS
OSSL_FUNC_kdf_gettable_params	OSSL_FUNC_KDF_GETTABLE_PARAMS
OSSL_FUNC_kdf_gettable_ctx_params	OSSL_FUNC_KDF_GETTABLE_CTX_PARAMS
OSSL_FUNC_kdf_settable_ctx_params	OSSL_FUNC_KDF_SETTABLE_CTX_PARAMS

A KDF algorithm implementation may not implement all of these functions. In order to be a consistent set of functions, at least the following functions must be implemented: **OSSL\_FUNC\_kdf\_newctx()**, **OSSL\_FUNC\_kdf\_freetctx()**, **OSSL\_FUNC\_kdf\_set\_ctx\_params()**, **OSSL\_FUNC\_kdf\_derive()**. All other functions are optional.

## Context Management Functions

**OSSL\_FUNC\_kdf\_newctx()** should create and return a pointer to a provider side structure for holding context information during a KDF operation. A pointer to this context will be passed back in a number of the other KDF operation function calls. The parameter *provctx* is the provider context generated during provider initialisation (see **provider(7)**).

**OSSL\_FUNC\_kdf\_freectx()** is passed a pointer to the provider side KDF context in the *kctx* parameter. If it receives NULL as *kctx* value, it should not do anything other than return. This function should free any resources associated with that context.

**OSSL\_FUNC\_kdf\_dupctx()** should duplicate the provider side KDF context in the *kctx* parameter and return the duplicate copy.

### Encryption/Decryption Functions

**OSSL\_FUNC\_kdf\_reset()** initialises a KDF operation given a provider side KDF context in the *kctx* parameter.

**OSSL\_FUNC\_kdf\_derive()** performs the KDF operation after processing the *params* as per **OSSL\_FUNC\_kdf\_set\_ctx\_params()**. The *kctx* parameter contains a pointer to the provider side context. The resulting key of the desired *keylen* should be written to *key*. If the algorithm does not support the requested *keylen* the function must return error.

### KDF Parameters

See **OSSL\_PARAM(3)** for further details on the parameters structure used by these functions.

**OSSL\_FUNC\_kdf\_get\_params()** gets details of parameter values associated with the provider algorithm and stores them in *params*.

**OSSL\_FUNC\_kdf\_set\_ctx\_params()** sets KDF parameters associated with the given provider side KDF context *kctx* to *params*. Any parameter settings are additional to any that were previously set. Passing NULL for *params* should return true.

**OSSL\_FUNC\_kdf\_get\_ctx\_params()** retrieves gettable parameter values associated with the given provider side KDF context *kctx* and stores them in *params*. Passing NULL for *params* should return true.

**OSSL\_FUNC\_kdf\_gettable\_params()**, **OSSL\_FUNC\_kdf\_gettable\_ctx\_params()**, and **OSSL\_FUNC\_kdf\_settable\_ctx\_params()** all return constant **OSSL\_PARAM(3)** arrays as descriptors of the parameters that **OSSL\_FUNC\_kdf\_get\_params()**, **OSSL\_FUNC\_kdf\_get\_ctx\_params()**, and **OSSL\_FUNC\_kdf\_set\_ctx\_params()** can handle, respectively. **OSSL\_FUNC\_kdf\_gettable\_ctx\_params()** and **OSSL\_FUNC\_kdf\_settable\_ctx\_params()** will return the parameters associated with the provider side context *kctx* in its current state if it is not NULL. Otherwise, they return the parameters associated with the provider side algorithm *provctx*.

Parameters currently recognised by built-in KDFs are as follows. Not all parameters are relevant to, or are understood by all KDFs:

"size" (**OSSL\_KDF\_PARAM\_SIZE**) <unsigned integer>

Gets the output size from the associated KDF ctx. If the algorithm produces a variable amount of output, SIZE\_MAX should be returned. If the input parameters required to calculate the fixed output size have not yet been supplied, 0 should be returned indicating an error.

"key" (**OSSL\_KDF\_PARAM\_KEY**) <octet string>

Sets the key in the associated KDF ctx.

"secret" (**OSSL\_KDF\_PARAM\_SECRET**) <octet string>

Sets the secret in the associated KDF ctx.

"pass" (**OSSL\_KDF\_PARAM\_PASSWORD**) <octet string>

Sets the password in the associated KDF ctx.

"cipher" (**OSSL\_KDF\_PARAM\_CIPHER**) <UTF8 string>

"digest" (**OSSL\_KDF\_PARAM\_DIGEST**) <UTF8 string>

"mac" (**OSSL\_KDF\_PARAM\_MAC**) <UTF8 string>

Sets the name of the underlying cipher, digest or MAC to be used. It must name a suitable algorithm for the KDF that's being used.

"maclen" (**OSSL\_KDF\_PARAM\_MAC\_SIZE**) <octet string>

Sets the length of the MAC in the associated KDF ctx.

"properties" (**OSSL\_KDF\_PARAM\_PROPERTIES**) <UTF8 string>

Sets the properties to be queried when trying to fetch the underlying algorithm. This must be given together with the algorithm naming parameter to be considered valid.

"iter" (**OSSL\_KDF\_PARAM\_ITER**) <unsigned integer>

Sets the number of iterations in the associated KDF ctx.

"mode" (**OSSL\_KDF\_PARAM\_MODE**) <UTF8 string>

Sets the mode in the associated KDF ctx.

"pkcs5" (**OSSL\_KDF\_PARAM\_PKCS5**) <integer>

Enables or disables the SP800-132 compliance checks. A mode of 0 enables the compliance checks.

The checks performed are:

- the iteration count is at least 1000.

- the salt length is at least 128 bits.

- the derived key length is at least 112 bits.

**"ukm" (OSSL\_KDF\_PARAM\_UKM) <octet string>**

Sets an optional random string that is provided by the sender called "partyAInfo". In CMS this is the user keying material.

**"cekalg" (OSSL\_KDF\_PARAM\_CEK\_ALG) <UTF8 string>**

Sets the CEK wrapping algorithm name in the associated KDF ctx.

**"n" (OSSL\_KDF\_PARAM\_SCRYPT\_N) <unsigned integer>**

Sets the scrypt work factor parameter N in the associated KDF ctx.

**"r" (OSSL\_KDF\_PARAM\_SCRYPT\_R) <unsigned integer>**

Sets the scrypt work factor parameter r in the associated KDF ctx.

**"p" (OSSL\_KDF\_PARAM\_SCRYPT\_P) <unsigned integer>**

Sets the scrypt work factor parameter p in the associated KDF ctx.

**"maxmem\_bytes" (OSSL\_KDF\_PARAM\_SCRYPT\_MAXMEM) <unsigned integer>**

Sets the scrypt work factor parameter maxmem in the associated KDF ctx.

**"prefix" (OSSL\_KDF\_PARAM\_PREFIX) <octet string>**

Sets the prefix string using by the TLS 1.3 version of HKDF in the associated KDF ctx.

**"label" (OSSL\_KDF\_PARAM\_LABEL) <octet string>**

Sets the label string using by the TLS 1.3 version of HKDF in the associated KDF ctx.

**"data" (OSSL\_KDF\_PARAM\_DATA) <octet string>**

Sets the context string using by the TLS 1.3 version of HKDF in the associated KDF ctx.

**"info" (OSSL\_KDF\_PARAM\_INFO) <octet string>**

Sets the optional shared info in the associated KDF ctx.

**"seed" (OSSL\_KDF\_PARAM\_SEED) <octet string>**

Sets the IV in the associated KDF ctx.

**"xcghash" (OSSL\_KDF\_PARAM\_SSHKDF\_XCGHASH) <octet string>**

Sets the xcghash in the associated KDF ctx.

**"session\_id" (OSSL\_KDF\_PARAM\_SSHKDF\_SESSION\_ID) <octet string>**

Sets the session ID in the associated KDF ctx.

"type" (**OSSL\_KDF\_PARAM\_SSHKDF\_TYPE**) <UTF8 string>

Sets the SSH KDF type parameter in the associated KDF ctx. There are six supported types:

EVP\_KDF\_SSHKDF\_TYPE\_INITIAL\_IV\_CLI\_TO\_SRV

The Initial IV from client to server. A single char of value 65 (ASCII char 'A').

EVP\_KDF\_SSHKDF\_TYPE\_INITIAL\_IV\_SRV\_TO\_CLI

The Initial IV from server to client A single char of value 66 (ASCII char 'B').

EVP\_KDF\_SSHKDF\_TYPE\_ENCRYPTION\_KEY\_CLI\_TO\_SRV

The Encryption Key from client to server A single char of value 67 (ASCII char 'C').

EVP\_KDF\_SSHKDF\_TYPE\_ENCRYPTION\_KEY\_SRV\_TO\_CLI

The Encryption Key from server to client A single char of value 68 (ASCII char 'D').

EVP\_KDF\_SSHKDF\_TYPE\_INTEGRITY\_KEY\_CLI\_TO\_SRV

The Integrity Key from client to server A single char of value 69 (ASCII char 'E').

EVP\_KDF\_SSHKDF\_TYPE\_INTEGRITY\_KEY\_SRV\_TO\_CLI

The Integrity Key from client to server A single char of value 70 (ASCII char 'F').

"constant" (**OSSL\_KDF\_PARAM\_CONSTANT**) <octet string>

Sets the constant value in the associated KDF ctx.

"id" (**OSSL\_KDF\_PARAM\_PKCS12\_ID**) <integer>

Sets the intended usage of the output bits in the associated KDF ctx. It is defined as per RFC 7292 section B.3.

## RETURN VALUES

**OSSL\_FUNC\_kdf\_newctx()** and **OSSL\_FUNC\_kdf\_dupctx()** should return the newly created provider side KDF context, or NULL on failure.

**OSSL\_FUNC\_kdf\_derive()**, **OSSL\_FUNC\_kdf\_get\_params()**, **OSSL\_FUNC\_kdf\_get\_ctx\_params()** and **OSSL\_FUNC\_kdf\_set\_ctx\_params()** should return 1 for success or 0 on error.

**OSSL\_FUNC\_kdf\_gettable\_params()**, **OSSL\_FUNC\_kdf\_gettable\_ctx\_params()** and **OSSL\_FUNC\_kdf\_settable\_ctx\_params()** should return a constant **OSSL\_PARAM(3)** array, or NULL if none is offered.

## NOTES

The KDF life-cycle is described in [life\\_cycle-kdf\(7\)](#). Providers should ensure that the various transitions listed there are supported. At some point the EVP layer will begin enforcing the listed transitions.

## SEE ALSO

[provider\(7\)](#), [life\\_cycle-kdf\(7\)](#), [EVP\\_KDF\(3\)](#).

## HISTORY

The provider KDF interface was introduced in OpenSSL 3.0.

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