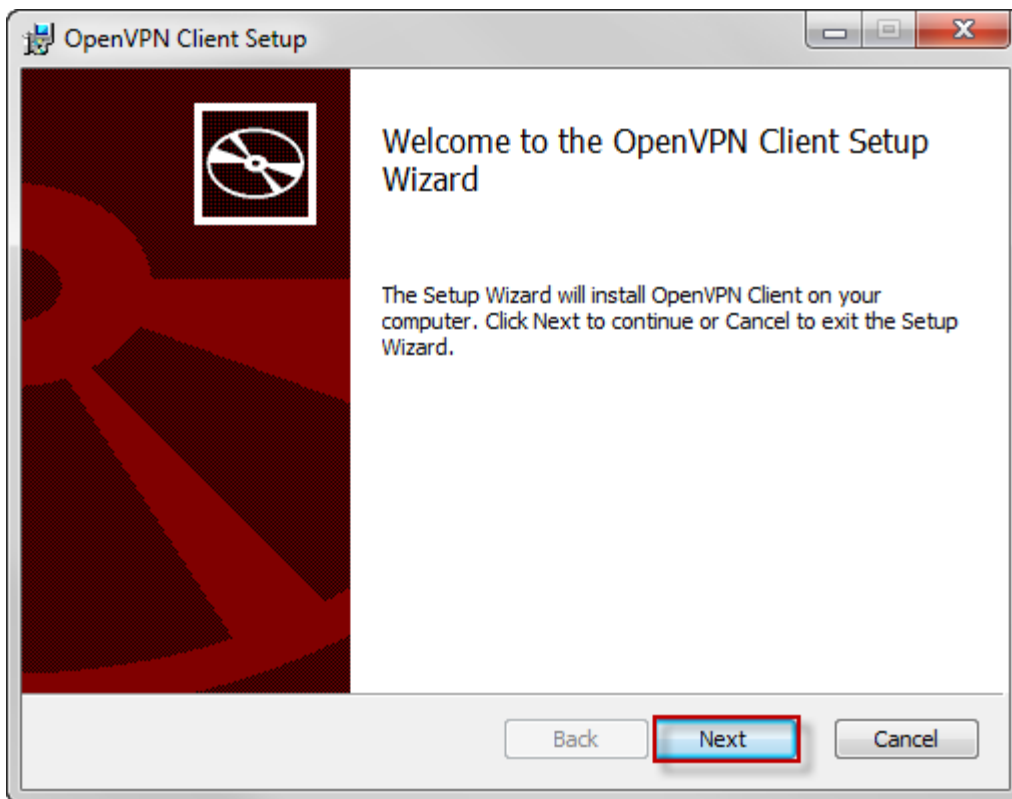


# How to install the Desktop Client on Windows

This howto will help guide you through the installation process of the Desktop Client.

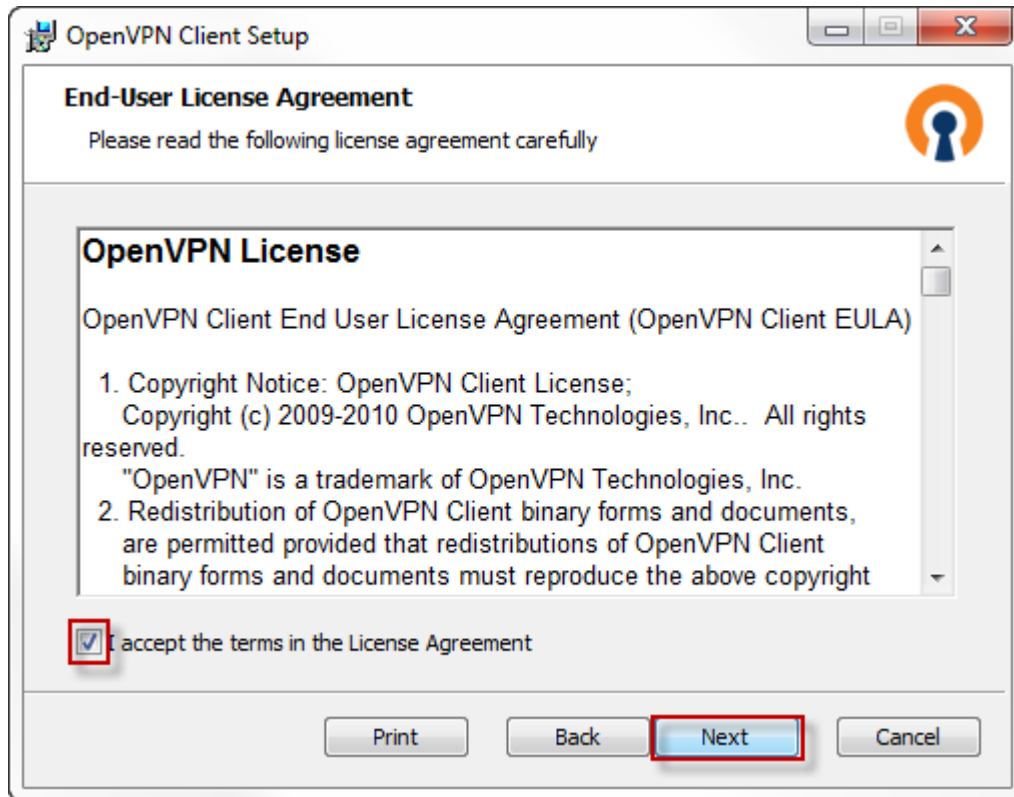
## **Step 1:**

Launch the msi installer for the client and click next:



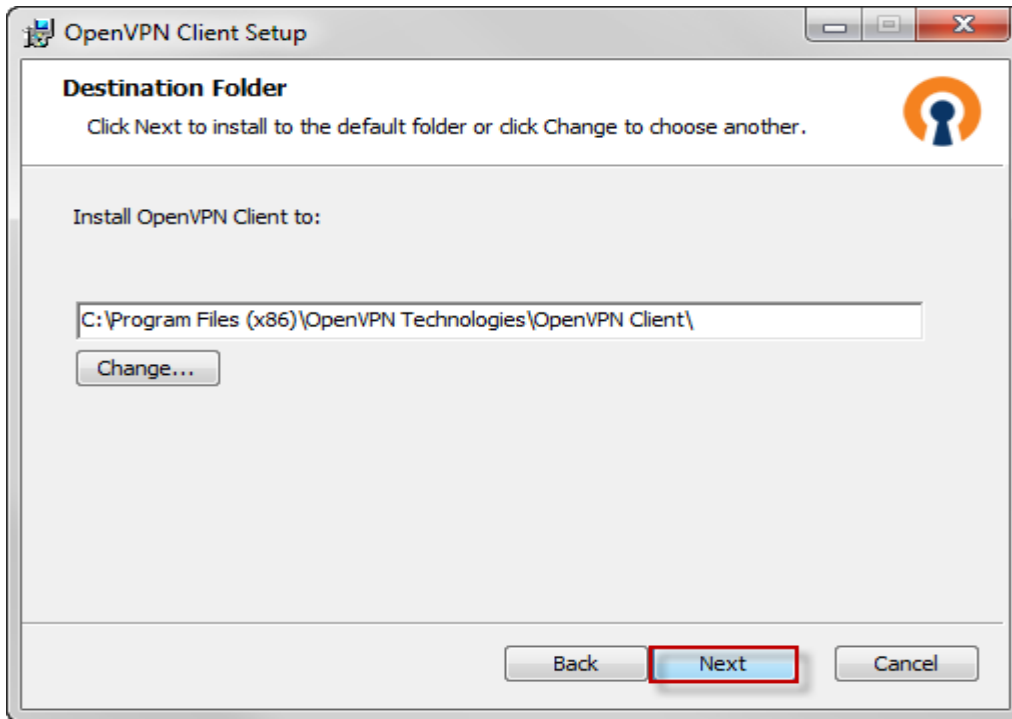
## **Step 2:**

Read and accept the License and click next:



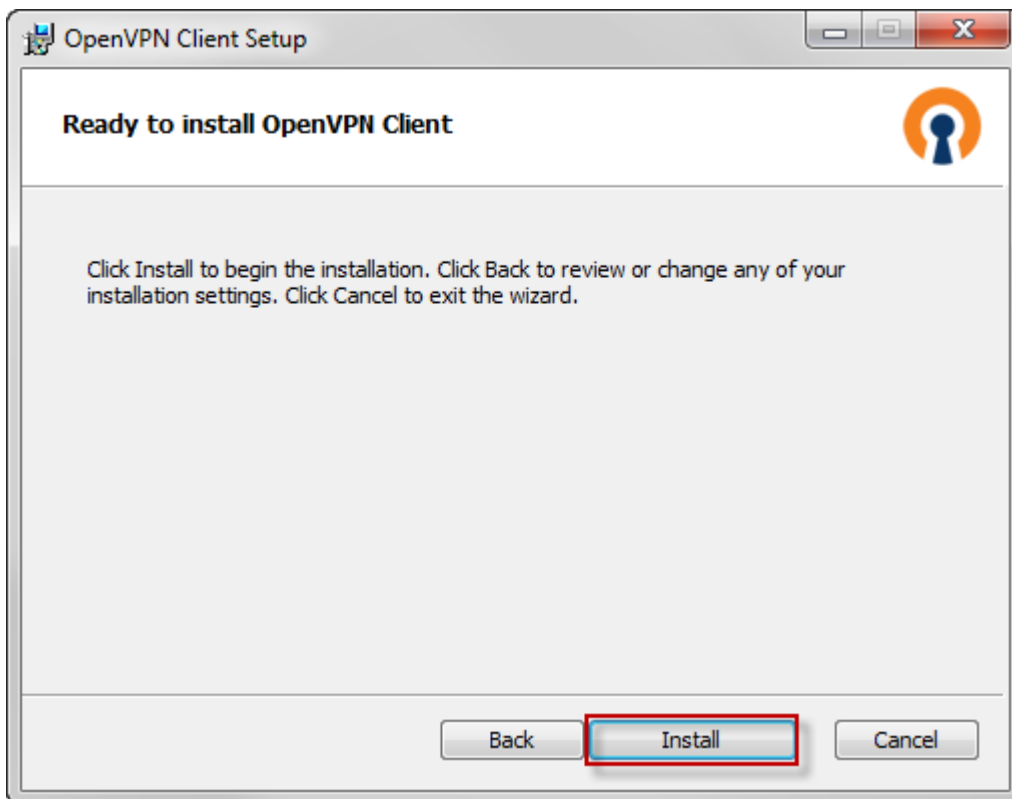
**Step 3:**

Choose the location to install the program files for the Desktop Client and click Next:



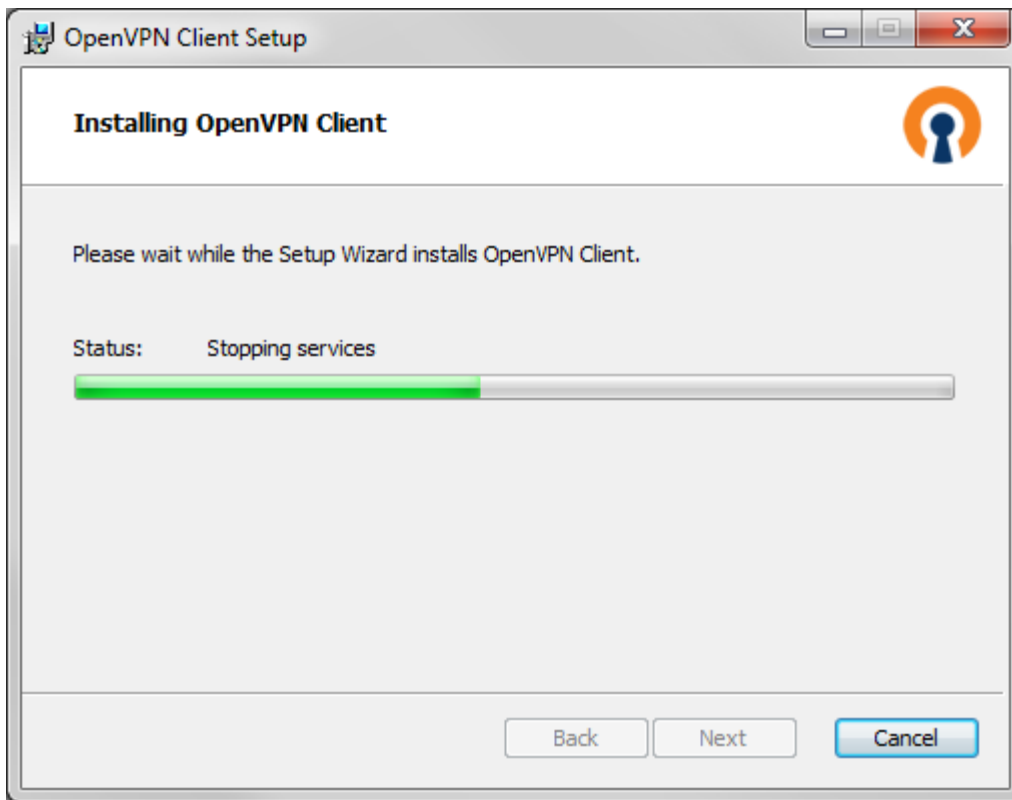
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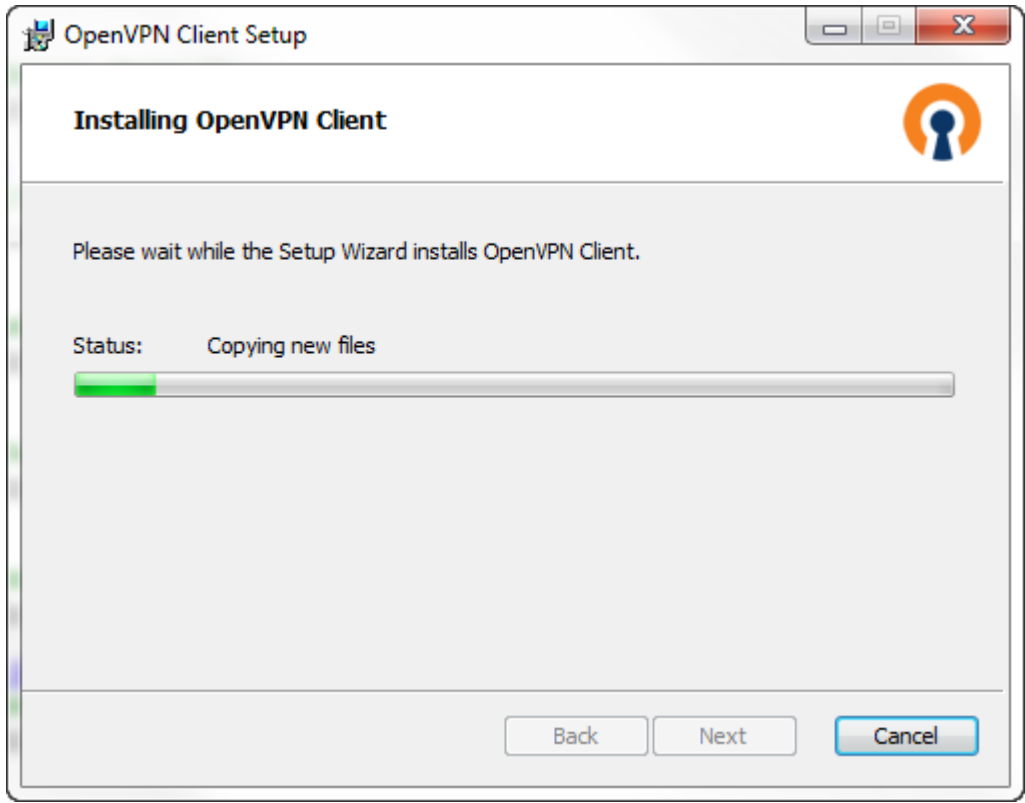
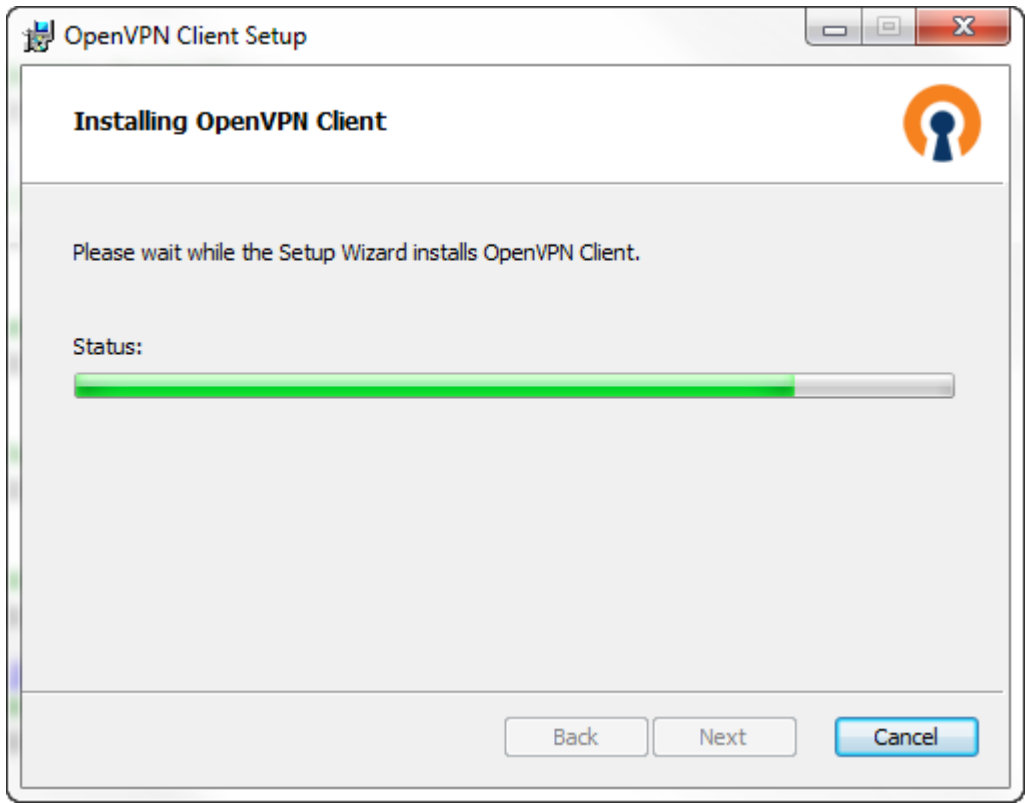
You are now ready to install the Desktop Client, click Install to proceed:



**Step 5:**

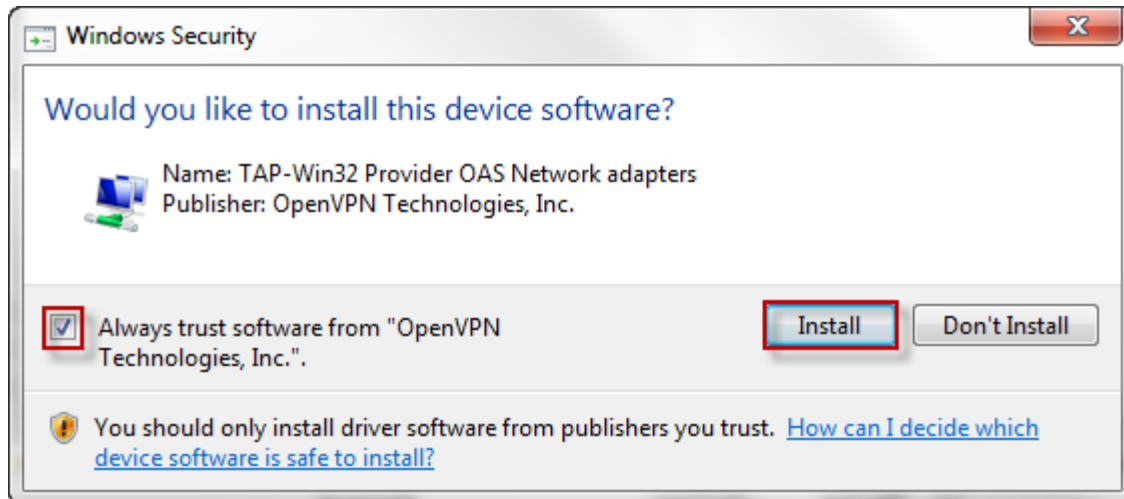
Please wait while the Desktop Client Installs:





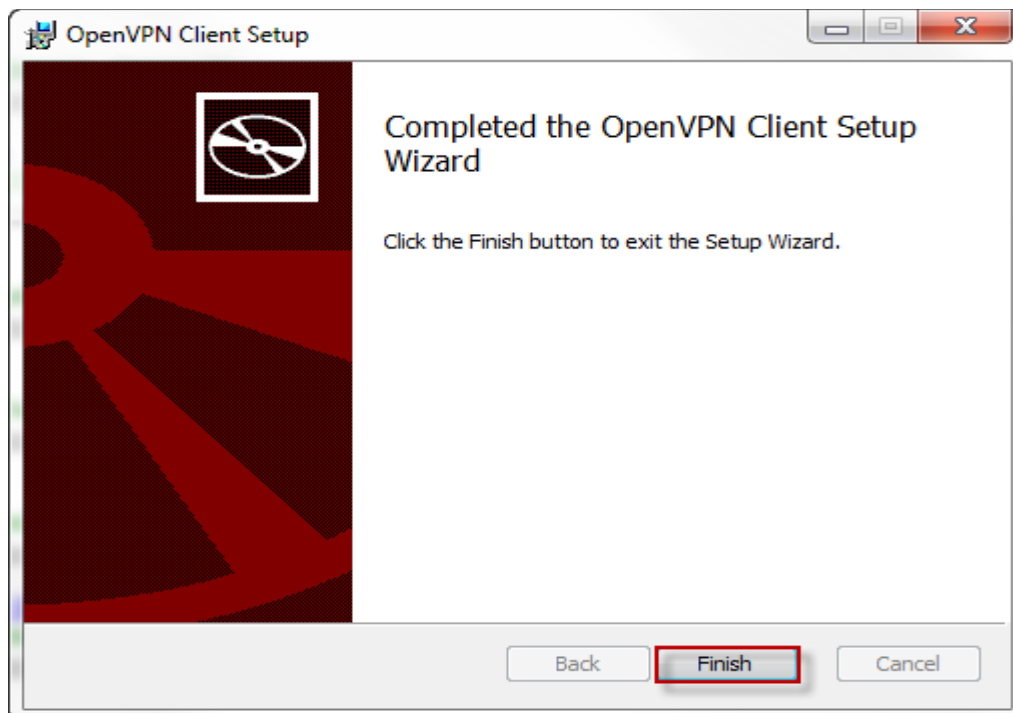
## Step 6:

You may see a warning asking you to install the Desktop Clients TAP Adapter, check the box that says "Always trust software from "OpenVPN Technologies, Inc." and click Install:



## Step 7:

The Desktop Client is now installed, click Finish to complete the installation:



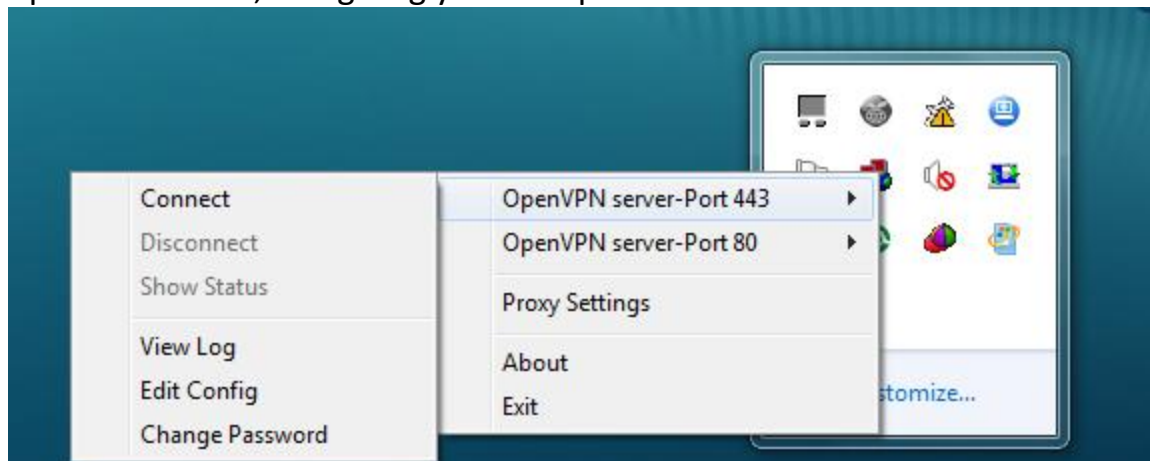
### Step 8:

To start OpenVPN, first run the OpenVPN GUI by double clicking on the desktop icon or start menu icon. The OpenVPN GUI is a system-tray applet, so a red icon for the GUI will appear in the lower-right corner of the screen as shown below:



### Step 9:

Right click on the system tray icon, and a menu should appear showing the OpenVPN server, and giving you the option to connect.



### Step 10:

Authenticate to the OpenVPN server using your member username and password

### Step 11:

After successfully authenticating to the server, the red OpenVPN GUI icon will change to green indicating that a successful authentication has been made as shown below:

