

## Re: Safe e-mail?

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|> I asked if i can use GnuPG for encryption, and got a confirming  
|> e-mail. Now I am wondering how do I knew that person I an  
|> communicating with is not someone that intercepted my first e-mail.  
|> I read some how-to's, and manuals, and it seems to me that maybe it  
|> has something to do with a "web of trust". How does that work in  
|> reality? How do I knew that someone on the other part of the world,  
|> that I am communicating for a first time is the person he claims to  
|> be? In my case he does have email address kjgrohmann at  
|> scw-media.de, and their web site is www.scw-webshop24.de, so it  
|> looks OK...

| I wish you had not set the type face so small: I can hardly read this.

I do not understand how I did this. I Googled for "type face", but since English is not my native language, I did not understand what exactly did I set to be small. As I understand it you are referring to font size. I did not set anything like that.

| I find the Web Of Trust does not work at all for me, because no one I  
| know is interested in e-mail security at all. I did verify someone's  
| signature for him, and he for me, but we have no one in common, so the  
| only person I can be sure is signing e-mail and is who was on his  
| passport, is someone with whom I have nothing in common, and never  
| see.

| So the whole thing is useless because of the apathy of various  
| paranoid people I run into who bemoan the lack of privacy, but refuse  
| to use GPG, VeriSign, or anything else.

| Sigh!

So what you are saying is that there is no way I can be sure that person replying to my e-mails is who he claims to be? Anyone else with suggestion?