

# How to Install the phpBB Forum Plug-in

This plug-in is available for phpBB software only. Please make sure that you have downloaded and installed the software to your domain already and set up the file configuration correctly.

For more information, please click here:

<https://www.phpbb.com/support/documentation/3.0/?from=submenu>

Next, kindly download the plug-in from this link:

<http://www.fusionhq.com/index.php?act=static&todo=phpbbplugin>

You can install the plug-in through the cPanel (*or FTP too*). If you host your domain with FusionHQ hosting, you can access the cPanel directly from your account:

<http://www.fusionhqtutorials.com/accesscpanel>

Then, follow the instructions below.

Step 1: At cPanel, click "File Manager".

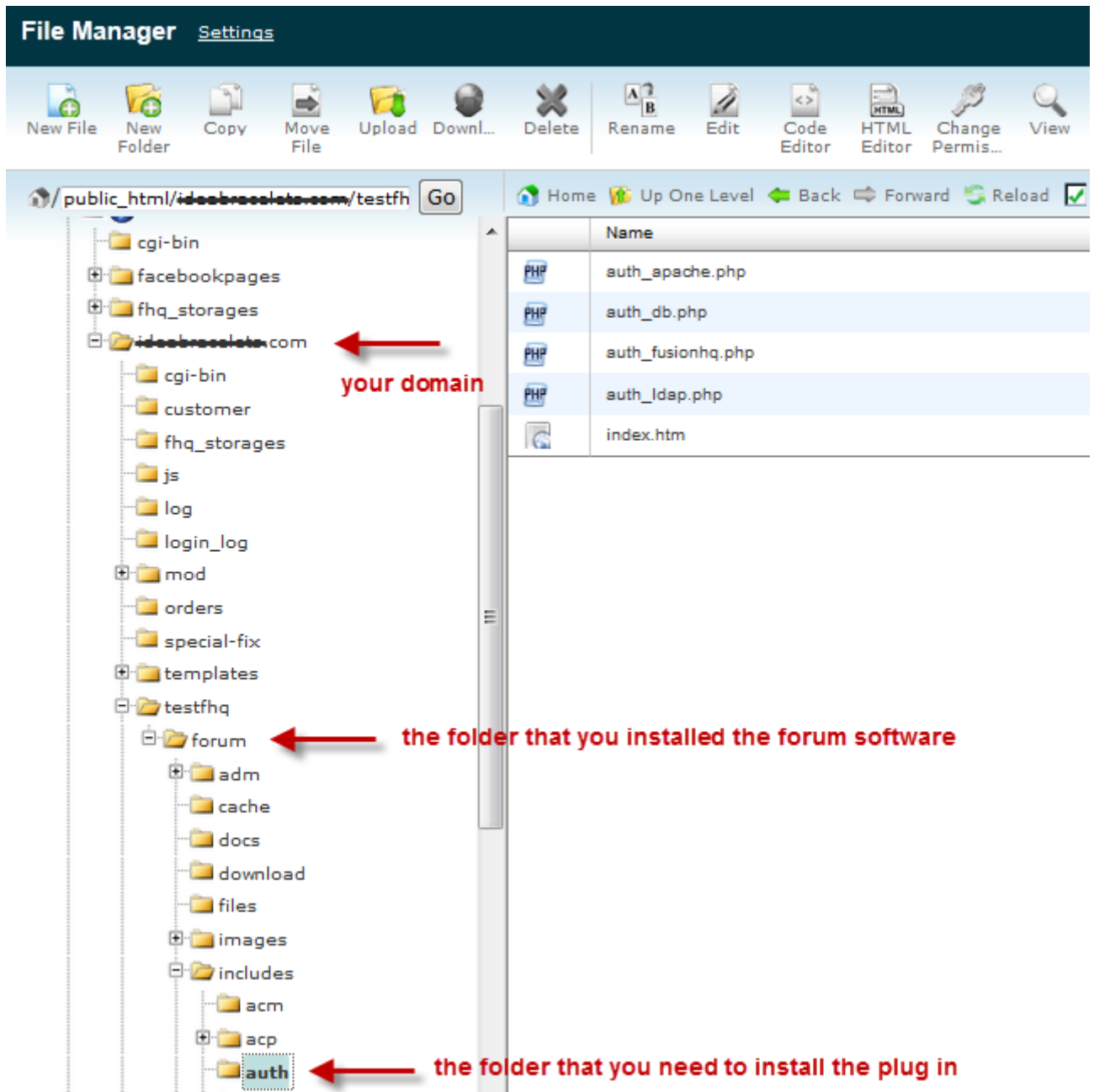
The screenshot displays the cPanel interface with a blue header banner that reads "cPanel VPS Optimized 3". The main content area is organized into several sections:

- Notices:** A section for displaying system notices.
- Find:** A search box with the text "Find functions quickly by typing here."
- Frequently Accessed Areas:** A list of quick links including "Parked Domains", "MySQL® Databases", "Site Software", "Addon Domains", and "File Manager".
- Stats:** A statistics section showing "Main Domain", "Home Directory", "Last login from", "Disk Space Usage" (48.13 / 10,000 MB), and "Monthly Bandwidth Transfer" (26.83 / ∞). An "expand stats" link is located below.
- Preferences:** A row of icons for "Getting Started Wizard", "Video Tutorials", "Update Contact Info", "Change Style", "Change Language", and "Shortcuts".
- Mail:** A grid of icons for "Email Accounts", "Webmail", "BoxTrapper", "Spam Assassin™", "Forwarders", "Auto Responders", "Default Address", "Mailing Lists", "Account Level Filtering", "User Level Filtering", "Email Trace", "Import Addresses/ Forwarders", "Email Authentication", and "MX Entry".
- Files:** A grid of icons for "Backups", "Backup Wizard", "File Manager" (highlighted with a red arrow), "Legacy File Manager", "Disk Space Usage", "Web Disk", "FTP Accounts", "FTP Session Control", and "Anonymous FTP".
- Logs:** A row of icons for "Latest Visitors", "Bandwidth", "Webalizer", "Webalizer FTP", "Raw Access Logs", "Analog Stats", and "Error Log".

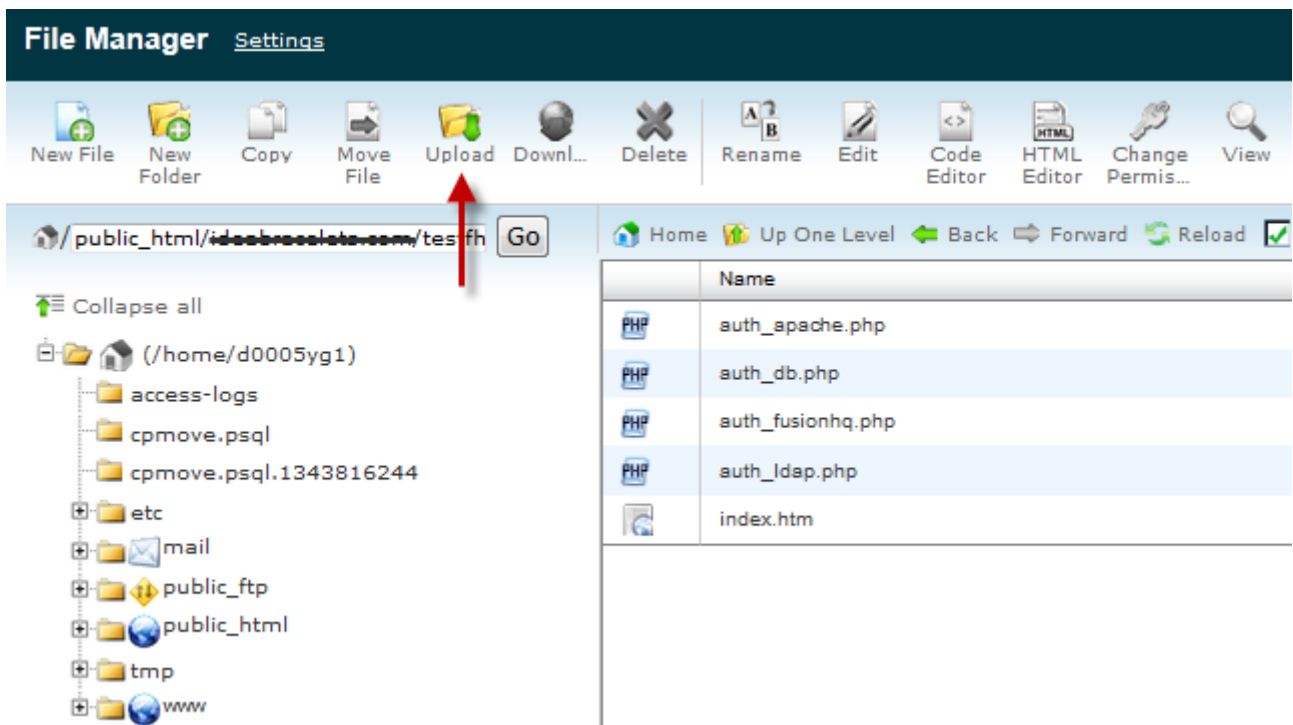
**Step 2:** At the "**Directory Selection**" pop-up, enable "**Document Root for:**" option and then select the domain that you want to have the forum. Then "**Go**".



**Step 3:** Go to the folder that you have installed (or upload) the phpBB software (forum software). Select "Includes" folder and the "auth" folder respectively.



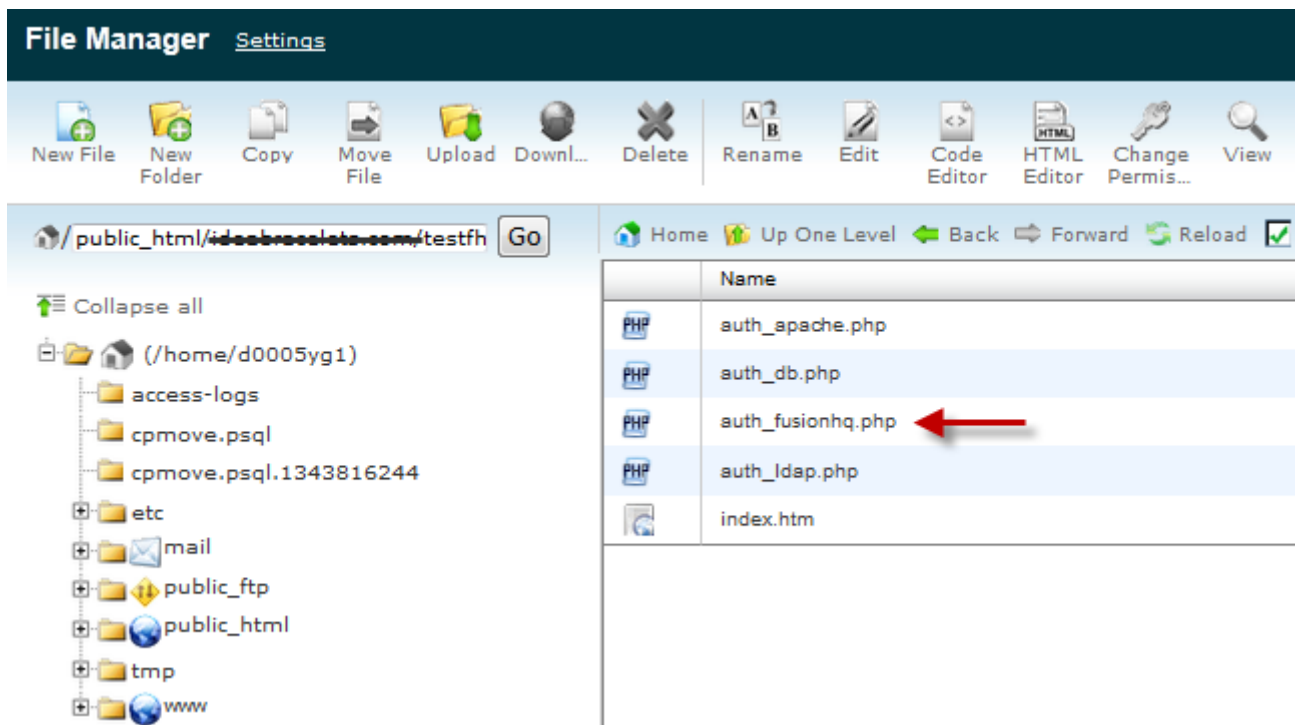
**Step 4:** Click "Upload" icon.



**Step 5:** Browse for the location where you have saved the FusionHQ plug-in in your computer. The plug in name is "auth\_fusionhq".



**Step 6:** Plug-in is now installed to your domain.



**Step 7:** Go to the url of your forum with /index.php suffix (ie. <http://www.yourdomain.com/forum/index.php>). And log in with your admin log in details.



**Step 8:** Next, click "**Administration Control Panel**".



**Step 9:** If you see the warning message asking to remove the install directory, simply go to the cPanel again.

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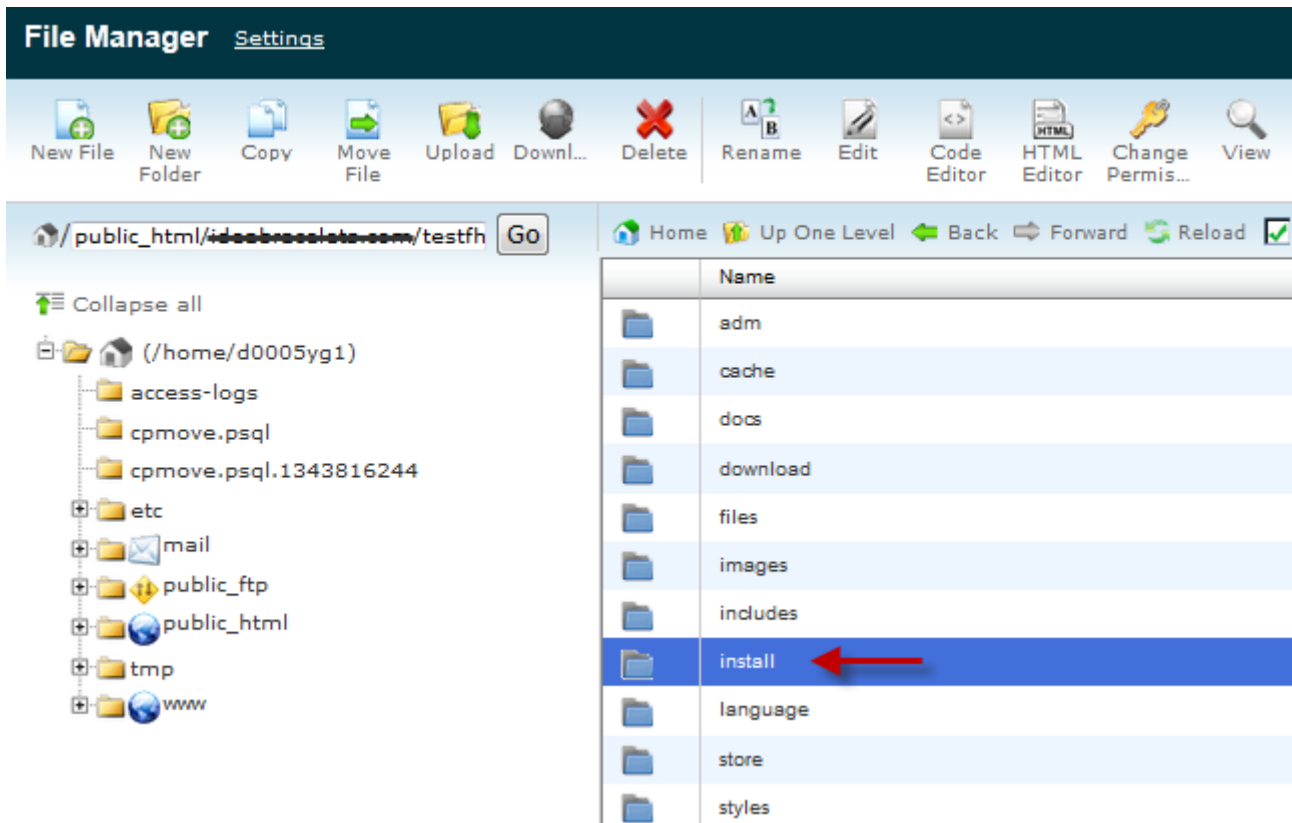
**Warning**

Please delete, move or rename the install directory before you use your board. If this directory is still present, only the Administration Control Panel (ACP) will be accessible.

**Board statistics**

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**Step 10:** And go to the folder in cPanel where you have installed the phpBB software. Then remove the "install" directory. Right click and select "Delete".



**Step 11:** Back to your forum and refresh the page to remove the warning message.

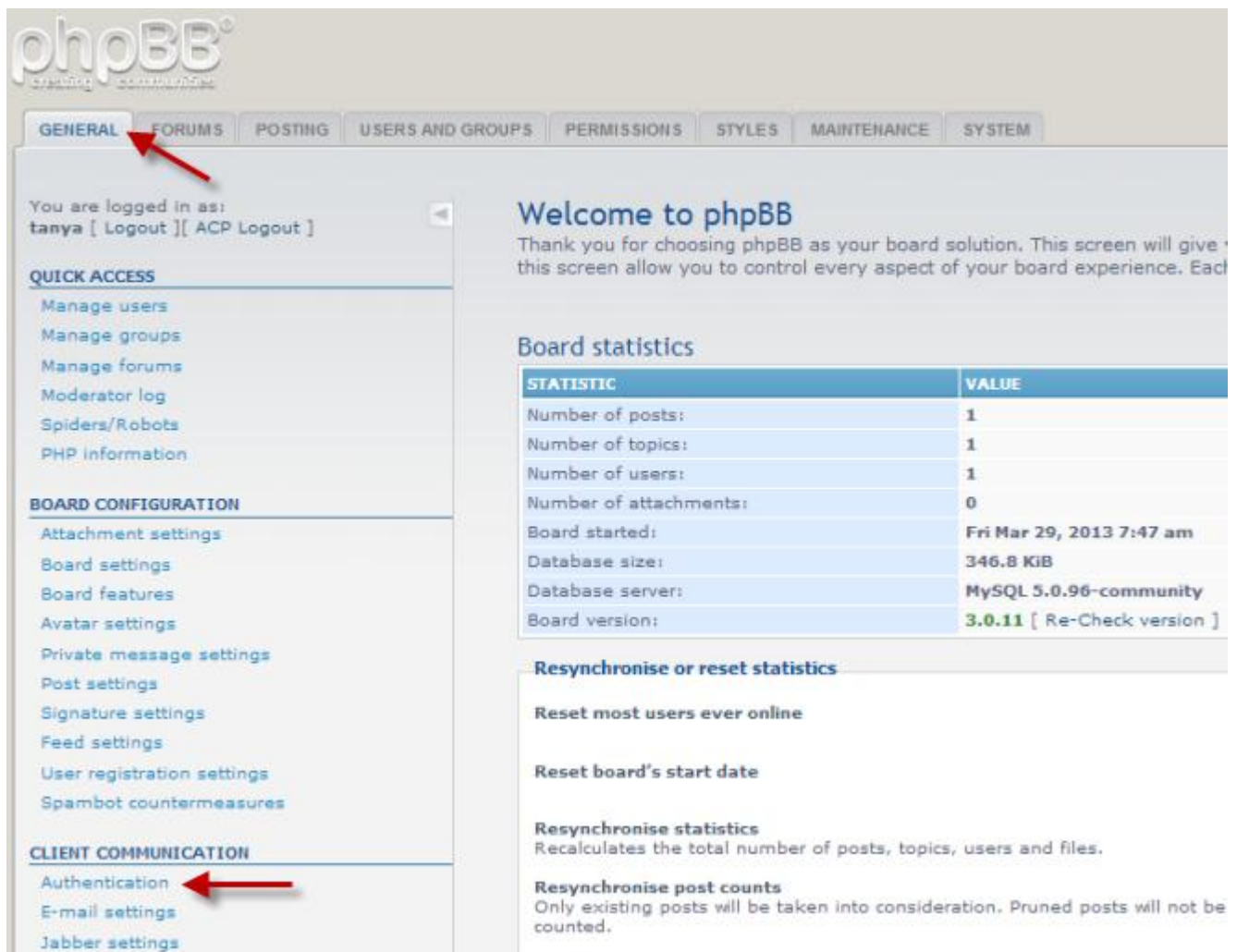
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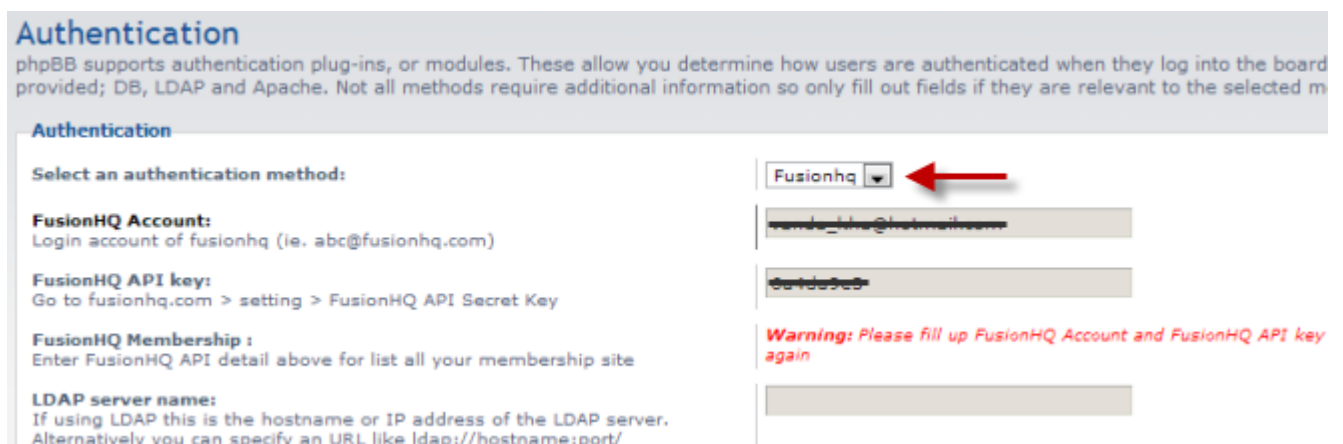
**Step 12:** At the left side panel, select **"General"** and **"Authentication"**.



The screenshot shows the phpBB administration interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with tabs for GENERAL, FORUMS, POSTING, USERS AND GROUPS, PERMISSIONS, STYLES, MAINTENANCE, and SYSTEM. The 'GENERAL' tab is selected and highlighted with a red arrow. Below the navigation bar, the user is logged in as 'tanya'. The left sidebar contains several sections: 'QUICK ACCESS' with links like 'Manage users', 'Manage groups', etc.; 'BOARD CONFIGURATION' with links like 'Attachment settings', 'Board settings', etc.; and 'CLIENT COMMUNICATION' with links like 'Authentication', 'E-mail settings', and 'Jabber settings'. The 'Authentication' link is highlighted with a red arrow. The main content area displays a 'Welcome to phpBB' message, 'Board statistics' table, and options to 'Resynchronise or reset statistics'.

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**Step 13:** At the **"Select an authentication method"**, select **"Fusionhq"** from the dropdown menu. After that, enter the log in email of your FusionHQ account and at the FusionHQ API key, enter your API (found in your FusionHQ account on the top right corner at Settings). Then submit and go back to the page.



The screenshot shows the 'Authentication' settings page. The title is 'Authentication'. Below the title, there is a paragraph explaining that phpBB supports authentication plug-ins or modules. The main content area is titled 'Authentication' and contains several sections: 'Select an authentication method:' with a dropdown menu showing 'Fusionhq' selected and highlighted with a red arrow; 'FusionHQ Account:' with a text input field containing 'example@fusionhq.com'; 'FusionHQ API key:' with a text input field containing '123456789'; 'FusionHQ Membership:' with a text input field; and 'LDAP server name:' with a text input field. A red warning message is displayed: 'Warning: Please fill up FusionHQ Account and FusionHQ API key again'.

**Step 14:** Now, choose a membership site which you want to link to this forum and submit changes.

**Authentication**  
phpBB supports authentication plug-ins, or modules. These allow you determine how users are authenticated when they log into the board. By default, you can use the following methods; DB, LDAP and Apache. Not all methods require additional information so only fill out fields if they are relevant to the selected method.

**Authentication**


Select an authentication method: Fusionhq ▼

**FusionHQ Account:**  
Login account of fusionhq (ie. abc@fusionhq.com) [text input]

**FusionHQ API key:**  
Go to fusionhq.com > setting > FusionHQ API Secret Key [text input]

**FusionHQ Membership:**  
Select membership site to link the forum [dropdown menu: (Recommended) fusionhq.com (http://www.fusionhq.com)]

**LDAP server name:**  
If using LDAP this is the hostname or IP address of the LDAP server. Alternatively you can specify an URL like ldap://hostname:port/ [text input]



Note that your customers can use the same username and password being used to access your membership site for logging in to the forum. The first time, you set up the forum, the group will not be created until one member of each individual membership level have accessed to the forum. The plug in will automatically create a group in your forum according to membership level created in your FusionHQ account.

The default membership group in your forum is "**FHQ\_GlobalMemberList**". Those who log in to the forum will be added to this group and then they will also be added to the same group of their membership level in your FusionHQ account.

We suggest you should manage permission for each group since all members of your membership sites will be able to log in to the forum.