

NORDUnet Core IP network to be upgraded to 40Gb/s

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Copenhagen, May 28th 2009. IPnett has won the contract for building out and upgrading the NORDUnet IP core network. The contract includes an upgrade to 40Gb/s core links and makes NORDUnet ready for 100Gb/s. To facilitate this NORDUnet invest in an upgrade of current Juniper Networks T-640 routers to T-1600 core routers as well as the Juniper Networks MX-480 Series routers for the build out of the network from IPnett. The framework agreement includes a multi-year service and support agreement.

NORDUnet is an international cooperation between the Nordic national networks for research and education. The network interconnects the various Nordic academic research networks, as well as connecting these to the rest of the world. IPnett has worked with NORDUnet since 2003, and has now extended the agreement after winning a public EU tender.

“The contract is the result of our focus and dedication to the operator, service provider and Research & Education market in the Nordic region.” says Fredric Wallsten, Sales Director, Carrier Networks, IPnett.

“The Juniper platform IPnett delivers enables NORDUnet to continue our mission to serve the Nordic research and education networks with robust high capacity IP services for years to come.”, says Jørgen Qvist, Chief Operating Officer Networking in NORDUnet.

It's expected that the new core network will be fully operational during Q3-2009.

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About NORDUnet:

NORDUnet is an international collaboration between the Nordic national computer networks for research and education. The members of NORDUnet are:

- SUNET of Sweden
- UNINETT of Norway

- FUNET of Finland
- Forskningsnettet of Denmark
- RHnet of Iceland

NORDUnet interconnects these networks and connects them to the worldwide network for research and education and to the general purpose Internet. NORDUnet provides its services by a combination of leased lines and Internet services provided by other international operators. In addition to the basic Internet service NORDUnet operates information services and provides USENET NetNews and Multicast connectivity to the Nordic national networks. NORDUnet also coordinates the Nordic national networks' IPv6 activities including the 6NET project and the national networks' CERT (Computer Emergency Response Team) activities.

NORDUnet is the result of the NORDUNET programme (1986 to 1992) financed by the Nordic Council of Ministers.

About IPnett Carrier Networks:

IPnett Carrier Networks consists of dedicated employees with a long and broad experience from the telecom industry, and is an independent technology partner for telecom operators, service providers and network owners. Our employees have, among other things, built metro networks in Sweden, designed and implemented the core networks in Norway and aided the development of university networks in several Nordic countries.

About IPnett AS:

IPnett is a leading supplier of communications and security solutions. The company designs, develops and delivers infrastructure, telephony and security solutions to companies and organizations in the Nordic countries.

The company was established in 1999 and currently has over 100 employees in Norway, Sweden and Denmark.

IPnett is located in Stockholm, Oslo, Stavanger and Copenhagen

IPnett has seen strong economic growth since the beginning.