



## **Netnod IX Sundsvall expands to Gävle**

***With new Point of Presence in Gävle, Netnod Internet Exchange (IX) Sundsvall becomes regional IX for mid-Sweden***

**Stockholm, Sweden - 4 May 2020** - Netnod, the leading provider of interconnection services in the Nordics, today announced that the Netnod IX Sundsvall will add a new point of presence in Gävle. This important development enables network operators in the region to exchange traffic locally providing faster, more cost-effective interconnections and optimising Internet performance. Local networks will be able to connect at either Sundsvall or Gävle and peer directly with networks at both locations. They will also be able to peer remotely with networks connected to any other Netnod Internet Exchange (IX) throughout the Nordics.

"We are delighted to announce the addition of Gävle to Netnod's IX locations," said Lars Michael Jogbäck, Netnod CEO. "Giving networks the possibility to interconnect locally makes the local infrastructure more robust, reduces latency and provides an improved experience for end users. We are proud to be working with the local Internet community and look forward to supporting local networks here with a range of interconnection solutions."

Instead of backhauling on a transit route to exchange traffic, peering at the Netnod IX in Sundsvall and Gävle gives local networks improved speed and performance. This improves performance and lowers latency while also ensuring cost-effective connections by avoiding the need for IP transit costs to exchange traffic at distant sites. As more networks interconnect locally, the local infrastructure becomes more robust and provides a better experience for all users.

"In response to discussions with local networks, we saw a clear demand in Gävle for an Internet Exchange enabling local networks to exchange traffic," said Martin Eriksson, Head of Sales and Marketing, Netnod. "By enabling the exchange of traffic both within Sundsvall and Gävle, and between networks connected in either location, Netnod hopes to support the local Internet community and to increase peering opportunities both in the region and throughout the Nordics."

Networks peering at the Netnod IX in Sundsvall and Gävle also have access to the full range of Netnod's interconnection services. These include WDM transport services enabling point-to-point transport across the Nordics and Netnod's Remote IX service. The latter enables networks at the Netnod IX in Sundsvall and Gävle to easily expand and peer across Netnod's range of Internet Exchanges providing peering opportunities with almost 200 different networks exchanging around 2 Terabits per second (Tbps) of traffic throughout the Nordics.

"Interlan is looking forward to the start of Netnod's new IX location in Gävle," said Torbjörn Eklöv, co-owner and founder of Interlan, one of the first customers to join the new IX location."It opens up new possibilities for service providers together with municipal and regional networks that previously had to take long routes to exchange traffic. Now we can all look forward to improved latency and excellent local peering options. We are happy to welcome Netnod to Gävle."

More information about the Netnod IX Sundsvall and its new Gävle location is available at: <https://www.netnod.se/ix/netnod-ix-sundsvall>

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