TeliaSonera acquires Ipeer, combines leading network, integration and cloud

On October 1st, the TeliaSonera corporate unit for the Swedish market will acquire Ipeer AB from the owner Applewise AB. Combining the Swedish market leading network operator TeliaSonera and the leading cloud vendor Ipeer will enable new comprehensive and competitive corporate services.

"We are proud that TeliaSonera have identified Ipeer as a leading actor, and impressed by their cloud strategy. The secure cloud services sought after by corporate clients today require datacenters, guaranteed net access and integration, all from one vendor. Together, TeliaSonera and Ipeer can offer companies more and better services with a high scalability and security than any other Swedish actor," said Applewise CEO Johan Hedlund.

"The acquisition of Ipeer means that we will be able to deliver new types of cloud services supplementing our strong offering of business solutions. Ipeer provides technology and competence in cloud and hosting services for both small and large companies. Thanks to our billion investment in infrastructure, we will be able to offer total solutions allowing our business customers to use the almost unlimited opportunities provided by the digitalization in society," says Malin Frenning, Executive Vice President of TeliaSonera and Head of Region Sweden.

As from October 1, Ipeer AB is part of Cygate's operations within TeliaSonera Sweden's business operations, and will be part of Cygate's business area of cloud and hosting services. Johan and Daniel Hedlund will stay in the management of the new business unit, which will remain based in Karlstad. TeliaSonera acquires all of the shares in Ipeer AB. The purchase price is not disclosed. The other companies of Applewise group are not affected by the acquisition.

"This is a fantastic opportunity for Swedish cloud services. With TeliaSonera we see great possibilities and synergies for our private cloud- and hybrid services as well as a potential to develop our public cloud solutions as part of more comprehensive corporate services," said Applewise board member Daniel Hedlund.

"Now we can't wait to start working together with TeliaSonera and Cygate to impact and truly transform the Swedish cloud market," concluded Daniel Hedlund.

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Applewise develops and offers modern IT-services to corporate clients. Founded in 2006, the corporation is headquartered in Karlstad, Sweden. Applewise corporation includes cloud service vendor Ipeer AB, IT-consultancy Office IT-Partner i Karlstad AB and performance monitoring company Monitor Scout AB. 80 people work in corporation subsidiaries in Sweden and in India with a total turnover exceeding 80 MSEK and more than 10 000 corporate clients in Sweden and Norway. www.applewise.se

Ipeer is a leading Swedish provider of corporate cloud- and hosting services. The company has a broad service portfolio in order to to enable optimal solutions. Clients range from smaller start-ups to large e-commerce sites, banks and international corporations. Ipeer has 65 employees, many of which have 15 years' experience from corporate hosting solutions, and a turnover of 57 MSEK (2013). Established in 2006, Ipeer has data centers in Sweden and offices in Karlstad, Stockholm and Bangalore, India. www.ipeer.se