

Sigma and Utfors build network solutions for the Elanders media group

Sigma and Utfors are delivering a complete solution for Internet access, telephony- and data networks to the Elanders Group. The solution entails the linking of all Swedish companies into a common network.

"The solution simplifies and rationalizes communication between our Swedish companies. This facilitates the necessary communications flow considerably," says Mats Almgren, Controller at Elanders.

The project for Elanders includes WAN (Wide Area Network) links, active components and project management. All data and telecom traffic is transmitted via Utfors IP-ports that link all of Elanders' Swedish offices to a corporate network. This enables equally high capacity regardless of which company or office the user is located.

"The network solution for Elanders is wholly in line with Sigma's emphasis on services for high-speed communications," says Sune Nilsson, Business Area Manager for Sigma e-solutions which, following the Group's division into three focused, exchange-listed companies, becomes the new Sigma AB.

Sigma has for some time cooperated with Utfors AB with respect to broadband services. The current agreement specifies that the subsidiary, Sigma Måldata Network Solutions, can offer its corporate customers Utfors' data communications services, mainly the IP-port broadband service.

"Utfors IP-port provides cost savings by such means as expanded capacity. This enables centralized operation and support, as well as e-meetings. The IP-port also encompasses telephony at no extra cost to the company," says Jan Werne, President of Utfors.

Elanders AB is the Nordic region's leading infomedia group. Their business concept is to develop and distribute information regardless of media. The operation is divided into three business areas: Infomedia, Infologistics and Infoprint.

Utfors is a leading Nordic supplier of high-quality, fixed and mobile broadband, Internet and telephony services. Utfors is placing into a network into operation with new technology that provides unique cost advantages. In this network, Utfors offers services to companies, government agencies and private individuals that create new opportunities for development.

Sigma Måldata Network Solutions operates mainly as a system integrator and offers products, solutions and services within the IT infrastructure.

Sigma is a leading supplier of consulting services in the areas of e-solutions, embedded solutions and engineering solutions. The three business areas are expected to be listed on the exchange as three independent companies within a few months. The Group, which has some 3,300 employees in 13 countries, focuses on solutions for interaction, innovation and integration. Sigma's guiding principle is to strengthen its customers' competitiveness and brands. (www.sigma.se)

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