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Press release

Swedia Networks to supply network delivery services and maintenance for Nokia in Austria, Germany and Switzerland

Swedia Networks and Nokia Networks, the infrastructure arm of Nokia, have signed an agreement on network delivery and maintenance services for Nokia's network deployments in three European countries. Under the terms of the agreement, Swedia Networks will provide Nokia Networks with delivery and care services for the mobile networks of its operator customers in Austria, Germany and Switzerland. The agreement also calls for the transfer of 62 Nokia employees to Swedia Networks.

The partnership agreement is in effect from the beginning of 2003.

"We are very pleased that Nokia Networks has entrusted Swedia Networks with the care of mobile networks in these important markets," says Jonas Högström, Managing director, Swedia Networks Germany. "Nokia Networks' customers will benefit from our wide knowledge of complex multi-vendor networks, especially as we move towards more advanced networks and services. We warmly welcome Nokia's highly competent staff to join our experienced pan-European workforce. Their expertise will reinforce the benefits of the extensive learning solution Nokia offers to its partners."

"This agreement is a part of our networked way of operating," says Ludwig Klenke, Care Operations Manager, Nokia Networks Germany. "Nokia provides strong and continuous competence transfer and quality maintenance to its partners using online end-to-end customer care support for in-depth system knowledge, as well as common tools, global processes and training. With this agreement we are tapping into Swedia Networks' broad spectrum of network experience and further enhancing our customer service. At the same time, the transfer of experienced delivery and maintenance staff from Nokia to Swedia Networks will maintain established working relationships and smooth continuity in service. The transfer of personnel is a part of the realignment in our organization announced last autumn."

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Swedia Networks AB is one of Europe's leading active telecom contractors in the fields of design, construction and service of infrastructure for electronic communication. Swedia Networks has 3000 employees. The turnover in 2001 was MSEK 5000. Swedia Networks has subsidiaries in Germany, the United Kingdom, Denmark, France (Francia Networks S.A.) and Malaysia. Swedia Networks is part of the Telefonos Group, owned by Industri Kapital, the 2000 Fund (51%) and Telia (49%). For further information please visit www.swedianet.com