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### **Press release: Utfors involved in major infrastructure deals**

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Utfors has reached agreements concerning the sale of parts of its infrastructure to KPNQwest, Carrier1 and Pangea. The agreements involve the sale of dark fibre and telehousing services. The total sale price exceeds SEK 450 million.

The Utfors fibre network covers all the capital cities in the Nordic region. The connection to Helsinki uses underwater cables and is the biggest fibre project of any kind ever in the Baltic region.

The connection to Copenhagen has also been completed, thanks to Utfors' purchase of dark fibre from Öresundsbro Konsortiet (The Öresund Link Consortium). The underwater cables to Denmark will be laid within the next few weeks.

"We are currently extending our collaboration to other operators when it comes to infrastructure. Utfors believes in an open infrastructure for fixed and mobile telephony," says Jan Werne, MD of Utfors.

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Utfors is the obvious Nordic partner for highly qualitative fixed and mobile broadband, Internet and telephony services. In 2000, Utfors will be launching a network with technology that lies at the world's very forefront. In this network Utfors offers, companies, authorities and private individuals, revolutionary services that create whole new possibilities for development and creativity. In 2001, Utfors will be linking together the 75 largest cities in the Nordic region. The company employs around 240 people in Stockholm, Oslo, Uppsala, Gothenburg, Malmö and Överkalix. Utfors's principal owners are Norsk Vekst and Litorina Kapital as well as a number of institutional