

**Press Release**  
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## **TeliaSonera International Carrier unveils The Quilt as its latest US Academic Network Partnership**

**TeliaSonera International Carrier today announced a renewed multi-year contract with The Quilt, the coalition that represents the United States' most highly respected research institutions and education network organisations.**

This recent contract continues the successful partnership between the two companies with TeliaSonera International Carrier providing the IPv4 and IPv6 performance, scale, and flexibility demanded by the Quilt infrastructure providers for their IP Transit services.

Quilt members are non-profit regional network aggregators that provide advanced network services in support of research and education. The Quilt – primarily funded by its participants - uses the collective strength of its membership to source services from approved vendors like TeliaSonera International Carrier.

**Jen Leasure, President of The Quilt** said “Over the last eighteen months TeliaSonera International Carrier has provided our members with the scale and reliability required. They have brought a strong base of global academic networks within a single hop of our 29 members and the institutions each serve. Their network and service has exceeded all of our expectations, so extending the partnership was a natural decision.”

**Ivo Pascucci, Regional Sales Director Americas, TeliaSonera International Carrier Inc,** said “The Quilt participants have a reputation for combining leading-edge experiences and influencing the US information technology infrastructure agenda. We appreciate The Quilts continued trust in us which further reinforces the value our AS1299 has in the US market.”

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### **About Teliasonera International Carrier**

As one of the leading carriers globally – and number 1 in Europe - Teliasonera International Carrier provides fiber-based telecommunications services and infrastructure that deliver supreme customer value with high quality in every dimension. In addition to serving Operators and Services Providers, we play a vital role in delivering content and applications to millions of passionate and demanding users worldwide through our solutions for the media, gaming and other online entertainment industries. Our wholly owned fiber network is one of the most extensive in the industry – with close to 200 points of presence covering Asia, Europe, and the US – all solidly backed up by award-winning customer care. Experience us at [www.teliasoneraic.com](http://www.teliasoneraic.com)

### **About The Quilt**

The Quilt is a non-profit collaboration of our country's most advanced regional and state networks in support of research and education. The Quilt is a dynamic forum where leaders from these organizations and throughout the advanced research and education networking community build on the intellectual capital and best practices of network providers worldwide. Based on the participant's combined experiences in operations and development of leading edge technologies, The Quilt aims to influence the national agenda on information technology infrastructure with particular emphasis on networking. Through its collaborations, The Quilt promotes the delivery of networking services at a lower cost, higher performance, greater reliability and security. The Quilt derives its funding and organizational support from the contributions of its participants. For more information, see <http://www.thequilt.net>.

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Teliasonera provides network access and telecommunication services in the Nordic and Baltic countries, the emerging markets of Eurasia, including Russia and Turkey, and in Spain. Teliasonera helps people and companies communicate in an easy, efficient and environmentally friendly way. Our ambition is to be number one or two in all our markets, providing the best customer experience, high quality networks and cost efficient operations. Teliasonera is also the leading European wholesale provider with a wholly-owned international carrier network. In 2011, net sales amounted to SEK 104 billion, EBITDA to SEK 36.9 billion and earnings per share to SEK 4.20. The Teliasonera share is listed on NASDAQ OMX Stockholm and NASDAQ OMX Helsinki. Read more at [www.teliasonera.com](http://www.teliasonera.com).