

# Telia Norway selects Ericsson as sole 5G RAN provider

- As 5G partner and sole RAN vendor, this contract will allow Ericsson to enable nationwide 5G in Telia Norway's next-generation network by 2023
- Ericsson Radio System hardware and software, including Ericsson Spectrum Sharing and 5G New Radio (NR), to be deployed
- Ericsson will also modernize Telia Norway's entire radio network to meet growing consumer and industrial needs

Nordic communications service provider Telia has selected Ericsson (NASDAQ: ERIC) as its sole 5G radio access network (RAN) vendor for its next-generation nationwide network in Norway.

Hardware and software products and solutions from [Ericsson Radio System](#), including 5G New Radio (5G NR), will be deployed across the network. Ericsson will also modernize Telia Norway's entire radio network as part of the move to 5G, including deployment of the industry-unique [Ericsson Spectrum Sharing](#) software, which will enable Telia to share its spectrum between 4G and 5G use.

Both partners anticipate that 5G rollout will begin in 2020, and that the first 5G commercial services will be available next year too. Ericsson and Telia aim to provide nationwide 5G coverage in Norway by end of 2023.

In addition to enhanced mobile broadband, Telia Norway is exploring the potential of 5G to enable sustainable new opportunities, including in the Internet of Things (IoT), Industry 4.0, for enterprises, the home, and smart cities. Telia Norway and Ericsson are already partnering on 5G pilot network in Trondheim, Norway, incorporating smart transport, automation and artificial intelligence (AI) functionalities.

Abraham Foss, CEO Telia Norway, says: "In short, the realization of 5G will enable us to be at the forefront of digitalization. It will help us to transform both industry and infrastructure in Norway and bring the next generation of possibilities into reality. For this reason, our goal is to bring nationwide 5G coverage within the next four years, and we're very pleased to be taking a leading role in this continued development of Norway with our partner Ericsson."

Arun Bansal, President of Europe and Latin America, Ericsson, says: "We are pleased to strengthen our position in the Nordic countries through this landmark 5G deal with Telia Norway. We will work closely in partnership with Telia Norway to bring the best possible commercial 5G experiences to their customers. This includes working with Telia Norway to enable the innovative Internet of Things (IoT) and Industry 4.0 benefits that this new connectivity platform will bring to Norway as the country embraces digitalization."

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