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# DIGITAL SOLUTION TO SUPPORT VULNERABLE CHILDREN

**Semcon together with SOS Barnbyar (SOS Children's Villages) are going to develop a digital solution designed to support children in social care in Sweden – unaccompanied refugee minors, for example. This digital solution aims to make the information and communication with various social facilities easier.**

H.M. Queen Silvia's Care About The Children Foundation is helping to fund part of a pilot study where Semcon is responsible for technical project management and development.

“Children who come to Sweden unaccompanied and are placed in social care are incredibly vulnerable. The idea is to develop a technical solution that can help these children to understand and communicate with Swedish society more easily. This project is a clear example of how technology can make a difference when we focus on people's needs,” says Karin Eklund, Head of User Experience at Semcon.

It is too early to say what functions this solution will offer. It could involve provision of information on children's rights, or suggestions for activities that children can get involved in to help them integrate into society more easily. One important element involves designing the information so that children can really understand it. With this pilot study, the project team will be meeting affected children in order to find out what they need.

“Children who grow up in social care lack networks and knowledge of how society functions, which means that such children frequently find it difficult to become independent young adults. SOS Barnbyar is working on behalf of unaccompanied minors in Hammarkullen in Gothenburg, and Semcon's idea of a technical solution is really exciting and chimes

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beautifully with our work as social innovators,” says Annika Billing, programme manager for SOS Barnbyar.

Completion of the pilot study is planned for early 2019, with the service launching planned in 2020.

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