CEO of City Network joins OpenStack

Foundation board of directors

City Network – a leading provider of infrastructure-as-a-service (IaaS) based on OpenStack, today announced that its founder and CEO, Johan Christenson has been elected member of the board at the OpenStack Foundation. The OpenStack Foundation promotes the global development, distribution and adoption of the OpenStack cloud operating system and serves more than 80,000 individual members from over 180 countries around the world. In this context, the OpenStack Foundation’s board of directors plays an important role in providing strategic and financial oversight of the foundations resources.

– The only thing we know about the future is that we don't know that much about it. This is why organisations transforming their business needs to base it on an open and highly scalable platform, says Johan Christenson, CEO and Founder of City Network and recently elected member of the OpenStack Foundation board. With this in play, I am really excited to now join the OpenStack Foundation to help the community and its eco-system to leverage this open platform and drive the transformation for a more open, and future proof infrastructure.

As the founder and CEO of global IT-infrastructure service provider City Network, and its public cloud IaaS City Cloud, Johan Christenson and his team at City Network have actively supported the OpenStack-community for several years. City Network is the organisation behind OpenStack Days Nordic, an event that this year will take place for the second consecutive year, this time in Copenhagen 18-19th of October. Further to this City Network leads the public cloud group within OpenStack. With over 20 years of experience, Johan is a long-term tech entrepreneur. He holds a Master of Science in engineering from the Florida Institute of Technology.

­– Johan’s experience building the City Networks public cloud on OpenStack as well as his in-depth knowledge from helping customers succeed with digital transformation powered by infrastructure built on OpenStack will be useful insights in his leadership as part of the OpenStack Foundation board of directors, said Jonathan Bryce, executive director at the OpenStack Foundation.

About OpenStack®

OpenStack is the most widely deployed software for public and private clouds, with more than 5 million compute cores in production. It has become a standard for private clouds and is also available via dozens of public cloud providers globally. At its core, OpenStack is an open source integration engine that provides APIs to orchestrate bare metal, virtual machine and container resources on a single network. The same OpenStack code powers a global network of public and private clouds backed by the largest ecosystem of technology providers, to enable cost savings, control and portability.

OpenStack is a global community of 80,000 members supported by the OpenStack Foundation, which facilitates the development of many innovative projects in the open infrastructure space. The community delivers two software releases each year, which are Apache 2 licensed and productized by a large ecosystem of technology vendors in our Marketplace. For more information and to join the community, visit [www.OpenStack.org](https://www.openstack.org/).

**About City Network**

City Network is a leading provider of IT infrastructure services.

The company provides public, private and hybrid cloud solutions based on OpenStack from more than 20 data centers around the world. Through its industry specific IaaS City Cloud, it can ensure that customers comply with demands originating from specific laws and regulations concerning auditing, reputability, data handling and data security such as Basel, Solvency and GDPR. City Network is certified according to ISO 9001, 14001, 27001, 27010, 27013, 27015, 27017 and 27018 – internationally recognized standards for quality, sustainability and information security.

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