

CIO NORDICS

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POST EVENT REPORT

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

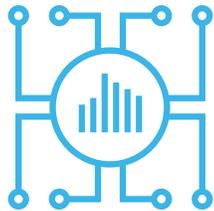
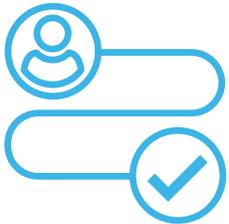


The event brought together a diverse group of IT professionals from various industries including manufacturing, retail, healthcare, and energy & sustainability.

The purpose of the event was to provide a platform for IT leaders to engage in peer-to-peer learning and networking, share best practices, and gain valuable insights to drive innovation and growth within their organisations.

The event featured keynote speakers, panel discussions, and networking opportunities, allowing attendees to gain valuable connections and stay informed about the latest industry developments. Key highlights of the conference included discussions on emerging technologies such as automation and single digital spaces, sustainability within the Nordic region, advances in IoT as well as insights into digital transformation strategies and the role of IT in driving business success.

Overall, the conference was a great success, and we look forward to continuing to provide a space for IT professionals to advance their careers and stay at the forefront of technology trends and developments.

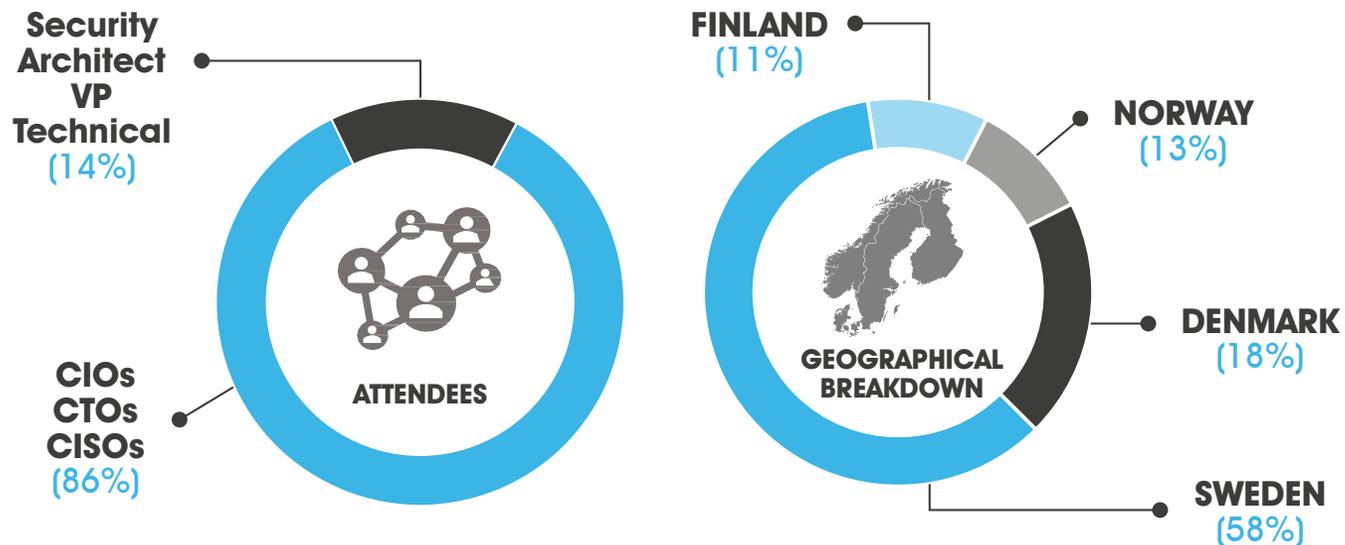


ATTENDANCE



CIO Nordics drew a diverse and engaged group of IT professionals from various industries and sectors across the Nordic region. In total, the event had 256 attendees, including CIOs, CISOs, CTOs, IT Directors, Head of digital transformation, security architects and software developers. The majority of attendees represented the manufacturing, healthcare and financial services industries, with a representation from other industries including retail, energy, telecoms and construction.

In terms of geographic location, the majority of attendees were from Sweden, followed by Norway, Finland and Denmark. We were pleased to see such a strong turnout and diversity of attendees, which contributed to a lively and productive event.



AGENDA AND SESSIONS



The CIO Nordics event agenda was packed with informative and engaging sessions and keynote presentations, covering a wide range of topics related to digital transformation and innovation in various industries.

The day began with welcome coffee and registration, followed by opening from CIO Nordics. The day continued with several panel discussions, including the Manufacturing and Construction Panel, Retail Panel, Financial Services Panel, Energy and Sustainability Panel, and Healthcare Panel. These panels featured senior executives from leading organisations, who shared their experiences and insights on digital transformation, emerging technologies, and the role of IT in driving business success.

The event also featured keynote presentations from experts in the field, including a keynote presentation titled 'Hackers don't break in, they log in' from Semperis, a discussion on cloud-native technology by SUSE, and a presentation on the role of CIOs in successful digital transformations by ICT Leaders Finland. In addition to the panels and keynote presentations, there were networking opportunities and sponsored fika breaks throughout the day, allowing attendees to connect with peers and exchange ideas.

Overall, the CIO Nordics event provided attendees with a valuable platform for peer-to-peer learning, networking, and gaining insights into the latest industry developments. The diverse range of topics and speakers ensured that there was something for everyone, regardless of their industry sector or job title. The event was a great success, and we look forward to continuing to provide IT professionals with opportunities to stay informed and connected in the future.



SPEAKERS AND PRESENTERS



CIO Nordics 2023 featured a diverse range of speakers and presenters who shared their expertise on digital transformation and technology innovation. Here is a summary of the speakers and presenters:

-  Richard van der Meer, **Region Vice President and CIO**, Nissan Africa, Middle East, India, Europe & Oceania
-  Mikael Larsson, **Chief Digital Officer**, AB Volvo Group Truck Operations
-  Benny Kedén, **Director Digitalization & IT**, Volvo
-  Markus Kuchler, **Head of Global IT Security**, Epiroc
-  Morten Christensen, **Senior Manager Manufacturing IT Support**, Velux
-  Tobias Kilga, **Head of Corporate IT**, MED-EL
-  Oliver Keizers, **Area VP EMEA Central**, Semperis
-  Sofia Nord, **Global VP Technology**, IKEA
-  Jesper Hagberg, **CIO**, Jula AB
-  Martin Fennrup, **Group CIO**, MAX Burgers
-  Malin Persson, **CIO**, Apotek Hjärtat
-  Göran Kördel, **CIO**, Boliden
-  Dr. Gerald Pfeifer, **CTO**, SUSE
-  Petra Alund, **Head of Technology**, SEB
-  Morten Efferbach, **CEO**, Cyber Advisory Company
-  Henrik Hilberts, **Partner**, EY

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- Handelsbanken** Stephan Erne, **CDO**, Handelsbanken
- proofpoint** Michael Järpenge, **Senior Channel Systems Engineer**, Proofpoint
- VATTENFALL** Erik Burow, **Director of IT & Digital Services**, Vattenfall
- ENERGINET** Hanne Hansen, **CISO**, Energinet
- northvolt** Fredrik Ohlsson, **Vice President of IT**, Northvolt
- KEMPOWER** Pete Nieminen, **CIO**, Kempower
- SWECO** Pär Wahlander, **Head of Digital and Development**, Sweco
- ICT Leaders Finland** Tomi Dahlberg, **Chairman**, ICT Leaders Finland
- CLAROTY** Erik Johansson, **Sales Director Nordics**, Claroty
- CYLERA** Richard Staynings, **Chief Security Strategist**, Cylera
- VÄSTRA GÖTALANDSREGIONEN** Lars Lindsköld, **Regional Development Officer**, Västra Götalandsregionen
- REGION KRONBERG** Mitko Capanov, **Chief Medical Information Officer**, Region Kronoberg
- PHILIPS** Kian Abolfazlian, **Director, Data Transformation Leader & Technology**, Philips
- SAHLGRENKA** Peter Kelly, **Head of Innovation and Technology Physician Group**, Sahlgrenska University Hospital
- INTERNATIONAL INNOVATION MANAGEMENT** Håkan Ozan, **Head of Innovation & Strategy**, International Innovation Management

The speakers came from various industry sectors, including manufacturing, construction, retail, financial services, energy, sustainability, and healthcare. They brought a wealth of experience and knowledge to the event, providing valuable insights on the latest trends and best practices in technology innovation and digital transformation.



FEEDBACK AND SURVEYS



The CIO Nordics event received overwhelmingly positive feedback from attendees, with many praising the quality of presentations and discussions.

[Tomi Dhalberg](#), Chairman of ICT Leaders Finland, described the event as “invigorating and praised the opportunity to ask questions from knowledgeable panellists and talk with fellow participants and service providers”.

[Jesper Hagberg](#), CIO of Jula AB, described the day as “awe-inspiring and thanked Citrus for hosting a great event”. [Lars Lindskold](#) also praised the event, describing it as “inspiring and highlighting the great mix of domains sharing the same challenges”.

[Richard Staynings](#), Chief Cyber Strategist of Cylera, “appreciated the great discussions around digital interoperability, AI, and other changes in healthcare, and how this is impacting cybersecurity and patient safety”. [Petra Alund](#), Head of Technology of SEB, was “excited about the future and how to utilise data to become more sustainable”.

[Sofia Nord](#), VP of technology of IKEA, had the great pleasure of attending CIO Nordics and listening to “inspiring people from various industries discussing digital transformation in relation to their industry”. She thanked [Malin Persson](#), [Martin Fennrup](#), and [Jesper Hagberg](#) for “a great discussion about digital transformation in retail and how to create fantastic co-worker and customer experiences”.

[Martin Fennrup](#), CIO of MAX Burgers, “appreciated the great discussions with great people”, and [Michael Jarpenge](#), Sr. Channel SE of Proofpoint, “thanked all for participating in the discussions and enjoying the event”.



TECHNICAL HIGHLIGHTS

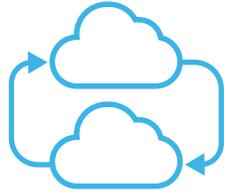
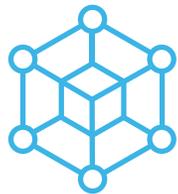
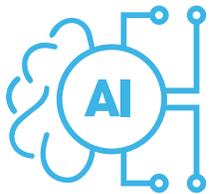


At CIO Nordics, there were several technical highlights discussed by experts and thought leaders from various industries. One of the primary themes was digital transformation and the role of emerging technologies in driving this transformation. Some of the new technologies discussed included Artificial Intelligence (AI), the Internet of Things (IoT), and blockchain.

The panellists discussed how these technologies could transform various aspects of business operations and the challenges and opportunities that come with them. There were also discussions about digital interoperability, which can help organisations to share data seamlessly across platforms, resulting in more efficient processes and better decision-making.

Another highlight was the importance of cybersecurity and data privacy, given the rise of cyber threats and data breaches. The speakers discussed the latest cybersecurity technologies and practices, including multi-factor authentication and endpoint security.

Overall, the conference provided a platform for attendees to learn about the latest technological advancements, exchange ideas and best practices, and network with other professionals in their field.



SPONSORSHIP



CIO Nordics was able to deliver a high quality event thanks to the support of our sponsors. We would like to express our gratitude to CATO Networks, Proofpoint, SUSE, Semperis, Claroty, G CORE, GitLab, and SnapLogic for their support.

Our sponsors provided valuable benefits that enriched the event experience. They contributed to various aspects of the event, such as providing technical expertise, delivering insightful presentations and panel discussions, showcasing innovative solutions, and networking opportunities.

CATO Networks, for instance, presented their cutting-edge technology for secure access service edge (SASE) architecture. Proofpoint discussed their advanced cybersecurity solutions for cloud and email security. SUSE shared their latest advancements in open source technology. Semperis talked about their innovative identity and access management (IAM) solutions, and Claroty presented their state-of-the-art industrial cybersecurity technology.

G CORE offered their expertise in cloud hosting and infrastructure solutions, GitLab provided insights into their DevOps platform, and SnapLogic showcased their cloud-based integration solutions.

We would like to thank all of our sponsors for their support and we look forward to collaborating with them again in the near future.





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