

## Fibre to the Home Council Europe

### Media Update: Oct 2013

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#### **Webinar: Building, operating and financing the world's largest open passive fibre network**

*Wednesday 16 October 2013, 11:00 – 12:00 AM CET [NOTE DATE CHANGE]*

How can local authorities build a successful fibre network, financed entirely without taxpayers' money? This webinar describes the approach taken in Stockholm with its publicly owned fibre provider Stokab, which has made FTTH available to 90% of households in the City of Stockholm. Anders Broberg, Stokab's Head of Communications, will describe the history of the company, the challenges it has faced, and its impact on the Stockholm region.

**REGISTER NOW**

Previous webinars have been uploaded to Vimeo and can be played or replayed as often as you like. The latest webinars include:

- 10 Sept: [FTTH basics - architecture, topology and technology](#) by FTTH Council Europe's Deployment and Operations Committee
- 6 June: [FTTH: THE solution for mobile broadband?](#) by IDATE
- 21 May: [European FTTH Forecast, 2012 – 2017 Behind The Numbers](#) by Heavy Reading

The presentations can also be downloaded from the "Resources" section of our website: [www.ftthcouncil.eu/resources?category\\_id=10](http://www.ftthcouncil.eu/resources?category_id=10)

#### **NEW - Live Talk Show: FTTH Conference Preview**

*Monday, 21 October 2013 – 3PM CET*

A series of new talk shows will provide a taste of what's coming up at the FTTH Conference 2014, to be held on 18 – 20 February 2014, at the Stockholmsmässan in Stockholm, Sweden.

Coming live from Stockholm on Monday 21 October, the first show will feature influential people from the Swedish digital industry. Mats Sjödin, editor-in-chief at [Telekomnyheterna](#), will be your host as he endeavours to find the secrets of innovation in the Internet era.

Guests will include Internet pioneer Patrik Fältström, who is well known for his work with the IETF (Internet Engineering Task Force), an international organisation that coordinates the technical development of the Internet; and telecoms entrepreneur and consultant

Mikael Sandberg, who was instrumental in building Bostream, a pure broadband operator in the early days of the Internet. More speakers are lined up, check out our web site in the next few days!

You can watch the Live Talk Show on [www.tv.ftthcouncil.eu](http://www.tv.ftthcouncil.eu) at the scheduled time.

Want to pose a question to our guests? Sign up on the website or use the Twitter hashtag #ftthtalk.

## **FTTH Conference 2014 takes inspiration from the Nordic nations**

The world is changing at the speed of light. The Nordic nations and Sweden especially – pioneers in fibre access networks – have become the most advanced fibre countries in Europe. Nearly half of all Swedish households have access to a FTTH connection, and 23% of homes in the country are already FTTH subscribers. Norway, Denmark and Finland also have high levels of FTTH deployment and adoption. The FTTH Conference 2014 on 18 – 20 February will showcase the best of FTTH innovation in the Nordic region.

[Read the press release](#) (PDF) >

Journalists, to obtain a press pass for the FTTH Conference 2014, please contact [nadia.babaali@ftthcouncil.eu](mailto:nadia.babaali@ftthcouncil.eu).

The FTTH Conference has also been shortlisted for the [V3 Technology Awards](#) (MOVERS AND SHAKERS, Technology event of the year). Click [here](#) to vote for us online - before 6pm CET on Monday 14 October 2013.

## **Digital Single Market proposal should do more to promote FTTH investments**

The FTTH Council Europe believes that the European Commission missed an opportunity to have a better focussed fibre policy in its Digital Single Market proposal by continuing to ignore the key issues; the proposal fails to set out a vision of how the industry can accelerate investments for the benefit of the broader economy.

[Read the press release](#) (PDF) >

## **CEO interview: Federico Guillén, Alcatel-Lucent**

Federico Guillén is president of the fixed networks division of equipment vendor Alcatel-Lucent. He talked to us about the massive Chinese investment in FTTH, whether European policy makers are doing enough to support the roll out of FTTH in Europe, and how mobile devices and wireless networks are drivers of bandwidth consumption on fixed networks.

[Read the interview with Federico Guillén](#) (PDF) >

## Upcoming Media Events

The FTTH Council Europe will be speaking or exhibiting at the following events:

2 October	FTTH Investors' Day Brussels <a href="http://www.investors.ftthcouncil.eu">www.investors.ftthcouncil.eu</a>	Brussels, Belgium
14 – 15 October	NextGen 13 National Conference (6th edition) <a href="http://www.nextgenevents.co.uk/events/nextgen-13">www.nextgenevents.co.uk/events/nextgen-13</a>	London, UK
22 – 24 October	Broadband World Forum 2013 <a href="http://www.broadbandworldforum.com">www.broadbandworldforum.com</a>	Amsterdam, The Netherlands
23 – 25 October	EEBC 2013 <a href="http://eebc.ua/en">http://eebc.ua/en</a>	Kiev, Ukraine
23 – 25 October	EUTC 2013 <a href="http://www.eutc2013.utc.org/content/eutc-2013">www.eutc2013.utc.org/content/eutc-2013</a>	Amsterdam, The Netherlands
24 October	Fiberday 2013 <a href="http://www.cmg-ae.at/index.php/de/arbeitsgruppen/open-accessbrinetwork-oani/405-cmg-ae-fibre-day">www.cmg-ae.at/index.php/de/arbeitsgruppen/open-accessbrinetwork-oani/405-cmg-ae-fibre-day</a>	Vienna, Austria
29 – 30 October	FTTH Africa Conference 2013 <a href="http://www.ftthcouncilafrica.com/conference/">www.ftthcouncilafrica.com/conference/</a>	Maropeng, South Africa
30 October	eSociety Digital Agenda Congress <a href="http://www.digitaleagendacongres.nl">www.digitaleagendacongres.nl</a>	Eindhoven, The Netherlands

*Journalists are invited to interview FTTH Council Europe executives at events where they are speaking, or by phone at any time.*

*For an appointment, please email: [nadia.babaali@ftthcouncil.eu](mailto:nadia.babaali@ftthcouncil.eu).*

## Join our social media communities

Be first to find out about the latest developments at the FTTH Council Europe by joining our active social media communities. We have 3,560 members in our LinkedIn Group, nearly 1,700 followers on Twitter and 850 “likes” on Facebook – so you’ll be in good company!



## About the FTTH Council Europe:

The FTTH Council Europe is an industry organisation with a mission to accelerate the availability of fibre-based, ultra-high-speed access networks to consumers and businesses. The Council promotes this technology because it will deliver a flow of new services that will enhance the quality of life, contribute to a better environment and increase economic competitiveness. The Council consists of more than 150 member companies.

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