

## COMSET AND NORDIC GROWTH LAUNCHES PROFESSIONAL PARTNERS NETWORK

**Copenhagen, Helsinki and Stockholm – August 25, 2009** – Comset, a Finnish knowledge investor and business developer, and private equity investor Nordic Growth, an active minority investor in Nordic growth companies and advisor to professional investors, today announced the launch of a new professional network.

The non-profit network is referred to as the Professional Partners Network, PPN. The objective is to create business opportunities and to act as a forum for investing and value-building in Nordic companies for the partners of the network, including individual professionals invited to the network, Comset and Nordic Growth.

Thor Birkmand, Investment Manager and Partner in Nordic Growth, explains: *“Both Nordic Growth and Comset come across companies needing either monetary investment or investment of the knowledge and experience of a professional, or both. In addition, the companies we are involved with sometimes require external board members, help with due diligence, or with some specific task on hand. Comset and Nordic Growth have over time established each their pool of professionals, and we believe that a well managed and even larger network will be valuable to the companies, the participating professionals, Comset and Nordic Growth.”*

Asko Kapanen, Managing Director in Comset, continues: *“In addition, Comset has a program of introducing co-entrepreneurs and board members supported by Comset processes to needing private companies, which could result in interesting opportunities for all parties. A panel is elected from among the PPN members, which against a small fee will use limited amount of time to comment on company growth plans and strategies.”*

The Professional Partners Network is initiated now by inviting a limited number of skilled professionals from Denmark, Finland and Sweden.

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### About Comset

Knowledge investor Comset is a new kind of investor and business developer advising, activating and accelerating growth. Comset helps entrepreneurs to multiply the value of their companies. Comset offers knowledge investments to ensure and accelerate execution of growth. Knowledge investment is an agreement, where a seasoned professional from Professional Partner Network participates as a co-entrepreneur and owner with a satisfaction guarantee - we share the risk and outcome of cooperation. In addition Comset offers fixed-price service packages for composing growth strategies and execution plans. Comset is an independent, management owned company, established in 1996. [www.comset.fi](http://www.comset.fi) - [www.comset.se](http://www.comset.se) - [www.comset.dk](http://www.comset.dk)

### About Nordic Growth

As a private equity firm, Nordic Growth undertakes investments in outstanding Nordic companies seeking above-market growth supported by a technology based competitive advantage or business model. Through operative and board-level experience from private and listed companies, the investment professionals have an expertise and functional experience including strategy evaluation, formation and implementation, corporate management, sales, marketing and product management. The team, operating from offices in Copenhagen, Helsinki and Stockholm as one pan-Nordic team, has an impressive record in financial structuring, valuations, and sell and buy-side mergers and acquisitions. [www.nordicgrowth.com](http://www.nordicgrowth.com)