UNINETT

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Description

UNINETT is the Norwegian academic data network. Its purpose is to support research and education and collaborative work in and among academic and non-profit research organizations in Norway by providing access to computer networks and network resources. UNINETT is both a network, an organization, and an infrastructure based on a set of datacommunication protocols. As the Norwegian branch of the Internet, EARN/BITNET, the European academic DECnet, and OSInet/IXI, UNINETT offers a variety of services connecting the Norwegian academic society to the rest of the academic world.

Electronic mail, file transfer, terminal access, directory services, and USENET Network News are among the services available on the UNINETT network.

By July 1991, about eighty academic and research organizations are connected to the UNINETT backbone, giving national and international connection to some eight thousand IP hosts, a few hundred DECnet hosts and X.400 MTAs, and a handful of EARN/BITNET nodes. The number of users is stipulated to be about fifteen thousand.

UNINETT is a member of NORDUnet, which is a cooperative effort of the academic networks in all of the Nordic countries and is connected internationally through the NORDUnet network.

The UNINETT activity is funded by The Norwegian Ministry of Education, Research and Church Affairs; the day-to-day work is organized by a secretariat sited at SINTEF Delab, Trondheim.

Network access:

UNINETT can be reached from the Internet, IXI, and Public X.25 EARN/NJE. We also have mail connectivity with the Norwegian PTTs public X.400 network.

Who can use the network:

UNINETT is a non-commercial network for academic and research traffic only. However, recently some commercial organizations have gained access to the network, under restrictions that do not allow them to use the network for commercial purposes.

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Miscellaneous Information:

See also the information about NORDUnet.