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### Ann Hellenius new CIO at Bankgirot

**Ann Hellenius joins Bankgirot's management team that continues to digitize the Swedish payment market.**

**Prior to Bankgirot Hellenius has been with Stockholm Stad as CIO.**

- With Ann Hellenius in the team, Bankgirot will be able to ramp up the work of creating future payment solutions or "Open Payments". I look forward to working with Ann very much" says Jeanette Jäger, CEO of Bankgirot.

Ann Hellenius, appointed to the European CIO of the Year 2016, has, in her capacity at Stockholm Stad, created a clear overall long-term strategy for both IT and business. At the same time, she's been acknowledged for her foresight in the digitization of the city of Stockholm, which quickly has given efficiency and practical benefit in the everyday lives of Stockholm citizens. Ann is an experienced CIO and leader in change. She will step right into Bankgirot's ongoing transition in taking real-time payments to the next level.

- To work on customer's based demands for real time digital services in a company that at the same time has a vital societal function – that is an almost unique challenge that feels really exciting to take on, says Ann Hellenius.

Bankgirot is Sweden's most experienced fintech company and has developed the real-time payment platform which makes the service "Swish" possible. Through the new concept "Open Payments" Bankgirot continues to develop effective solutions for the payment market in which real time, simplicity and openness apply. With nearly 60 years of experience in the payment market - Bankgirot will continue to build cooperation with customers and deliver services that implements certainty and trust.

- I'm really looking forward to working at Bankgirot with all the experienced staff and contribute in taking the next step, creating the future payment solutions, says **Ann Hellenius**

Ann Hellenius starts at Bankgirot during the spring of 2018.

**Bankgirot has nearly 60 years' experience in delivering market leading financial infrastructure. Every day 5 million transactions, or 60 billion SEK flows through Bankgirot's payment systems. Swish, Direct Debit and electronic identification are some of the services delivered by us. We digitize and guarantee the Swedish payment market.**

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