

A HISTORIC CASE STUDY

Dragsholm Castle



Wireless network in an 800-year-old building with walls 4 metres wide – it was a challenge...

Fourth generation WLAN running without a hitch

Dragsholm Castle is among Denmark's oldest functioning secular buildings. The original Dragsholm was built around 1215 by the Bishop of Roskilde. During the Middle Ages, the building was changed from the original palace to a fortified castle.

■ About Meru

Meru Networks is the global leader in wireless infrastructure solutions that enable the All-Wireless Enterprise. Its industry leading innovations deliver pervasive, wireless service fidelity for business-critical applications to major Fortune 500 enterprises, universities, health-care organizations and state, local and federal government agencies. Meru's award winning Air Traffic Control™ technology brings the benefits of the cellular world to the wireless LAN environment. The Meru Wireless LAN System is the only solution on the market that delivers predictable bandwidth and over-the-air Quality of Service with the reliability, scalability and security necessary for converged voice and data services over a single WLAN infrastructure.

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Ultra modern facilities in ancient surroundings

Today, Dragsholm Castle functions as a modern and professionally run business with an emphasis on the operation of a gourmet restaurant, private companies and opportunities for the business community to conduct meetings and conferences in absolutely fantastic surroundings with ultra modern facilities.

Dragsholm Castle offers companies a broad, excellent framework for conducting conferences and meeting activities. At Dragsholm Castle, it is not only the meeting that takes centre stage, but rather the complete integration of the meeting, the experience and the inspiration.

Wireless network in a protected cultural heritage building with 4m thick walls...

Substantial requirements are posed today for IT infrastructure, and Dragsholm Castle desires to be at the forefront of technological developments by making the best facilities available to its customers. Dragsholm Castle is wireless today and offers its customers wireless connections everywhere inside the 800-year-old building. "Installing wireless in a protected cultural heritage building having walls that in a number of places are over 4 metres thick was one of the greatest challenges we have ever faced", says Mads Bøttger, the Managing Director.

Full wireless coverage, hidden access points and nearly no administration

"We tested a number of other products in the wireless arena without any great success. Thus it was a pleasure to experience the professional approach of Meru Networks. Our fourth generation WLAN from Meru Networks has run without a hitch since we installed it. There is wireless coverage everywhere in the building, all the access points are hidden and the best thing is actually that there is no noteworthy maintenance or difficult administration to perform", states the satisfied Managing Director, Mads Bøttger.

Wireless network for 150 conference participants – without problems...

"We make significant demands of our IT infrastructure, and it is important for us that our customers may be sure that, among other things, our wireless network functions 100% optimally. We are currently arranging meetings and conferences for companies with 100 to 150 participants, all of whom utilise our Meru Wireless installation without any problems. In the future, we see great possibilities in VOIP, that is, telephony over the wireless network, and with our Meru installation, we are secure in the knowledge that we will be able to offer our customers the best quality", concludes Mads Bøttger.