Harri Koponen

born 1962, Ph.D. h.c. (Economics), eMBA

Harri Koponen was the CEO of SSH Communications Security until February 2016 and now acts as a senior advisor for the company, concentrating on the firewall and governmental business in Finland and abroad, and will assist in sales in the Telecom sector.

Harri has extensive experience from the technology sector together with strong skills in operations, sales, and in leading companies and organizations.

Prior to joining SSH Communications Security, Harri was the CEO of NPTV, a cloud-based interactive TV software company, board member at Stonesoft (a security software company that was acquired by McAfee), and prior to that the COO of Rovio Entertainment, creating the global merchandising and licensing business of their Angry Birds brand.

Harri has a vast global network in the industry and government sector having been the President and CEO of three major telecommunications companies, Sonera (Finland), Wataniya (Kuwait), and Tele2 (Sweden). He has also lived in the United States for several years serving as the Managing Director of Sony Ericsson (North and Central America) and the Head of Ericsson Consumer Products Division for North America. Prior to that, he worked as the global account executive for AirTouch, Vodafone, and Sonera at Ericsson, and in the early 1990s ran HP's telecom global sales for Sonera.

Harri holds an eMBA from the University of Helsinki and has Ph.D. h.c. (Economics) from the University of Jyväskylä.

Harri owns 300,000 SSH stock options. Harri would be non-independent member.