Why should my institution use the Internet2 NET+/Four Points agreement to access AWS?

Internet2 is a community-driven not-for-profit providing a secure highspeed network, cloud solutions, research support, and services tailored for research and education. The NET+ community includes US higher education, research institutions, government entities, and cultural organizations. NET+ programs provide various community resources and collaboration opportunities, including a NET+ AWS Service Advisory Board, newsletters, technical forums, collaboration spaces, subscriber meetings, town halls, strategy discussions, and whitepapers. The Four Points NET+ AWS agreement provides all the benefits of the Internet2 NET+ cloud infrastructure community along with direct, discounted access to all AWS services combined with Four Points' operational support for billing, reporting and account management.

AWS and Four Points work together to support the growing I2/NET+ AWS Cloud community connecting

subscribing campuses with a supportive community accelerating the use of AWS services and providing a platform to discuss use cases, requirements, and issues with peers facing similar challenges. The NET+ AWS program connects your university to a community of practice that will help you become masters of your own success as you scale your use of AWS.

Four Points' provides unfiltered access to all AWS resources and AWS-delivered services – capacity, support, ProServe, training, and marketplace with Four Points-delivered billing, reporting, and cost optimization support tailored to each customer's individual requirements.