



**EuroHPC JOINT UNDERTAKING**  
**DECISION OF THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE EuroHPC JOINT**  
**UNDERTAKING No 12/2021**  
**Approving the launch of the calls for tenders for the acquisition of**  
**MareNostrum 5 Precursor to Exascale Supercomputer**

THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE EUROHPC JOINT UNDERTAKING,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EU) 2021/1173 of 13 July 2021 on establishing the European High Performance Computing Joint Undertaking and repealing Regulation (EU) 2018/1488<sup>1</sup>, in particular Article 38.1 second paragraph.

Having regard to the Statutes of Regulation (EU) 2018/1488 annexed thereto (hereinafter "Statutes") and in particular to Articles 7 (4) (g) and 6 (5) thereof,

Having regard to the Governing Board Decision No 22/2021 of 12 November 2021. amending the Joint Undertaking's Work Plan and Budget for the year 2021,

WHEREAS

- (1) The Joint Undertaking should procure the Precursor to Exascale Supercomputer MareNostrum 5 and shall own it.
- (2) Article 38.1 of Regulation (EU) 2021/1173 provides that as regards the actions initiated under Articles 10, 11, 13 and 14 of Regulation (EU) 2018/1488, as well as Articles 6 and 7 of the Statutes annexed to that Regulation, it shall continue to apply until their completion and to the extent necessary.
- (3) By Decision No 7/2019 of 5 June 2019, the Governing Board selected BSC-CNS as Hosting Entity for MareNostrum 5 pre-exascale supercomputers.
- (4) The European High Performance Computing Joint Undertaking and the Hosting Entity, BSC-CNS, signed the Hosting Agreement No 2/2019, the 19 November 2019, for the provision of the facilities to host and operate an EuroHPC supercomputer and the provision of the hosting services.

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<sup>1</sup> *OJL 256, 19.7.2021, p. 3–51*

- (5) The amendment of the Annual Work Plan of the EuroHPC Joint Undertaking for the year 2021, has been adopted by the Governing Board by its Decision No 22/2021 of 12 November 2021.
- (6) The Governing Board should approve the launch of the call for tenders, in accordance with 2021 Annual Work Plan.
- (7) The Executive Director of the EuroHPC Joint Undertaking should manage the call for tenders as provided for in 2021 Annual Work Plan;

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

*Article 1*

The Governing Board hereby approves the launch of the call for tenders for the acquisition of MareNostrum 5 Precursor to Exascale Supercomputer following an open procurement procedure in accordance with the annual Work Plan of the EuroHPC Joint Undertaking for the year 2021, and within the available budget in accordance with the Budget of the Joint Undertaking for 2021, on the basis of the procurement documents attached as Annex and invites the Executive Director, to take all necessary action in that regard.

*Article 2*

The Call for Tender shall be published at least:

- on the website of the EuroHPC Joint Undertaking;
- in the Official Journal of the European Union (OJEU)
- Funding & Tender opportunities Portal

*Article 3*

This Decision shall enter into force on the date of its adoption.

Done at Luxembourg, on 01 December 2021

For the Governing Board

Herbert Zeisel

The Chair

Annexes:

- I. Part I Tender Specifications: Administrative Specifications.
- II. Part II Tender Specifications: Technical Specifications.
- III. Invitation to Tender.
- IV. Draft Contract.