



EuroHPC JOINT UNDERTAKING
DECISION OF THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE EuroHPC JOINT
UNDERTAKING No 47/2023

Approving the ranked list of proposals selected for funding pursuant
to the evaluation of the call for proposals on Stimulating the HPC
innovation potential of SMEs (DIGITAL-EUROHPC-JU-2023-SME-01)

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) 2018/1488¹, (hereinafter, "the Regulation"),

Having regard to the Statutes of the European High Performance Computing Joint Undertaking annexed to the Regulation (thereinafter "Statutes") and in particular Articles 1(i) and 7(5)(d) thereof,

Having regard to the Financial Rules of the EuroHPC Joint Undertaking adopted by the Governing Board on 20 February 2020 and in particular Article 45 thereof,

Having regard to Decision of the Governing Board of the EuroHPC Joint Undertaking no 15/2023 of 15 June 2023, approving the launch of the call for proposals to support High Performance Computing (HPC) adoption by Small and Medium-Sized Enterprises (SMEs) (DIGITAL-EUROHPC-JU-2023-SME-01),

Having regard to Decision of the Governing Board of the EuroHPC Joint Undertaking No 24/2023 of 14 August 2023, amending the Joint Undertaking's Work Programme and Budget for the year 2023 (Work Programme and Budget Amendment no. 3), in particular Article 2,

WHEREAS

- (1) The Decision of the Governing Board no 15/2023 of 15 June 2023 approved the launch of the call for proposals to support High Performance Computing (HPC) adoption by Small and Medium-Sized Enterprises (SMEs) (DIGITAL-EUROHPC-JU-

¹ OJ L 256, 19.7.2021, p. 3–51.

2023-SME-01). Pursuant to the Decision of Governing Board no 24/2023 on Work Programme and Budget for the year 2023 of 14 August 2023 (Amendment no 3), the Governing Board adopted an amendment to the afore-cited call.

- (2) By means of Decision of the Governing Board no 24/2023, the EuroHPC published a call for proposals on Stimulating the HPC innovation potential of SMEs (DIGITAL-EUROHPC-JU-2023-SME-01), with deadline of 7 November 2023.
- (3) In response to the call, 9 proposals were received within the deadline. The proposals were checked for compliance with the admissibility requirements and eligibility conditions of the call. The compliance check concluded that only one of the proposals submitted was admissible and eligible.
- (4) The admissible and eligible proposal was evaluated by a panel of independent experts, in accordance with the call and the Digital Europe rules for participation, in line with the EuroHPC amended Work Programme and Budget for the year 2023.
- (5) The Executive Director has submitted to the Governing Board for approval the proposal selected for funding. The admissible and eligible proposal passed the relevant thresholds and shall be retained for funding. No reserve lists needs to be established.
- (6) The Governing Board shall approve the actions selected for funding on the basis of the call evaluation report and financial contribution of the EuroHPC Joint Undertaking as provided in the call for proposals.
- (7) The Governing Board took note and acknowledged the report of the Executive Director on the outcome of the call for proposal which includes the Call Evaluation Report with its annexes as well as the evaluation summary reports which will be attached to the individual notification letter.
- (8) The Governing Board should approve the list of actions selected for funding on the basis of the ranking list produced by a panel of independent experts.
- (9) The Executive Director shall implement the decisions of the Governing Board.
- (10) The Governing Board discussed the results of the call during its 36th meeting and it

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

The Governing Board approves the ranking of proposals selected for funding, annexed to this Decision, following the call for proposals on Stimulating the HPC innovation potential of SMEs (DIGITAL-EUROHPC-JU-2023-SME-01).

Article 2

The Executive Director shall inform the applicants of the result of the evaluation and shall communicate simultaneously the relevant individual evaluation summary report as an attachment to the notification letter. The notification letter sent by the Executive Director to the action selected for funding shall invite the applicant to start the grant agreement preparation.

Article 3

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

Done at Luxembourg, on 20 December 2023.

For the Governing Board

Rafal Duczmal

The Chair

Annex 1: Ranked list of proposals retained for funding, following the call for proposals on Stimulating the HPC innovation potential of SMEs (DIGITAL-EUROHPC-JU-2023-SME-01).

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CALL RANKED LIST:

Rank	Proposal Number	Proposal Acronym	Total Score	Number of Participants	Proposal Budget	Proposal Duration	Requested Grant	Expert Recommended Grant	List
1	101163317	FFplus	12.5	7	29,999,678.81 €	48	29,999,678.81 €	29,999,678.81 €	MAIN