

### **Research and Innovation Opportunities** *EuroHPC JU Information Day for AI on Supercomputers*

# **Funding for Research & Innovation**



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## **Financial Instruments**



#### • Grants

- Calls for Proposals
- Synergy grants
- Procurements
  - Calls for Tender
  - Co-financing through ESIF, RRF



### • Equity & debt financing

- Not provided by the JU but could be used in combination with grants and procurements
- The European Innovation Council offers equity, also blended with grants (SMEs)
- The European Investment Bank offers loans

## The HPC value chain



Chip manufacturers/ critical components	System Integrators; Storage specialists; Network providers	Independent software vendors (ISV)	HPC centres	HPC Inter- mediaries	HPC customers
<ul> <li>Producers of core components for HPC hardware</li> <li>Small number of highly specialised manufacturers</li> <li>No significant footprint in Europe</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Integrate single components providing hardware infrastructures</li> <li>Have a particular importance in the context of the European Science Cloud</li> </ul>	• Develop software solutions for HPC applications	<ul> <li>Offer HPC services (at least partially based on a profit-driven business model)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Develop HPC and data driven business models</li> <li>Link HPC service providers with HPC customers</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Make use of HPC services to offer enhanced products and services</li> <li>Focus on improving SME access to HPC</li> </ul>
IBM.	MEGWARE Bull Betternetge	OKE-works OOOSIS (rbf-morph)*	SGOMPUTE H L R S	SICOS Fraunhofer	

"Financing the future of supercomputing" EIB Advisory Services, 2018

## **R&I** actions in numbers





#### **EuroHPC JU pools European resources to fund large strategic projects**

- HPC hardware including advanced processors, accelerators, high-speed interconnect
- Software stack including programming models, resource management software, HPC services
- Applications for R&I covering many scientific domains and topics, engineering
- Skills, usage and HPC adoption supported by a pan-European network of Competence Centres

## Industrial R&I funded by EuroHPC JU

Industrial software, HPC applications and workflows



LIGATE LIgand Generator and portable drug discovery platform AT Exascale	Industrial partners <ul> <li><u>DOMPE FARMACEUTICI SPA</u> (IT)</li> <li>E4 COMPUTER ENGINEERING SPA (IT)</li> <li>tofmotion GmbH (AT)</li> </ul>	Objective: Implement a computer-aided drug design solution for automated drug discovery Budget: €5,938,656.25
Next Simulation of industrial aerodynamic simulation code	<ul> <li>Industrial partners</li> <li>AIRBUS OPERATIONS SAS (FR)</li> <li>OFFICE NATIONAL D'ETUDES ET DE RECHERCHES AEROSPATIALES (FR)</li> <li>DEUTSCHES ZENTRUM FUER LUFT - UND RAUMFAHRT EV (DE)</li> </ul>	Objective: development of CODA - the new reference flow solver for aerodynamic applications inside AIRBUS group Budget: €3,998,703.75
ACROSS HPC Big DRta Artificial Intelligence cross Stack Platform TOwardS ExaScale	Industrial partners <ul> <li>BULL SAS (FR)</li> <li>NEUROPUBLIC AE PLIROFORIKIS &amp; EPIKOINONION (EL)</li> <li>GE AVIO SRL (IT)</li> </ul>	Objective: Workflows and applications for aeronautics, climate and weather, and energy domains Budget: €8,815,845.00



Exploitation of Exascale Systems for Open-Source Computational Fluid Dynamics by Mainstream Industry

#### **Industrial partners**

- <u>ESI GROUP</u> (FR)
- E4 COMPUTER ENGINEERING SPA (IT)
- UPSTREAM CFD GMBH

Objective: Improvement of the OpenFOAM software for computational fluid dynamics across the entire processing chain Budget: €5,425,618.75

## **Proposal evaluation**





## **Skills and Usage**





## **National Competence Centres for HPC**





#### • EuroCC

### A European network of more than 30 national HPC Competence Centres to widen the use of HPC in Europe

- Provide training and specific local support to access to HPC resources, expertise and funding free of charge
- Serve as single point of access to a European network of HPC experts for users from academia, industry, public administrations and in particular SMEs
- Support HPC uptake by businesses and implementation of best practice
- Ensuring a coordinated and consistent high level of expertise across Europe in HPC and related disciplines e.g. data analytics (HPDA) and artificial intelligence
- Mapping competencies and identifying knowledge gaps

## Stimulating the innovation potential of SMEs

### https://www.ff4eurohpc.eu/



- Financial support for SMEs to
  - Boost innovation potential and competitiveness through HPC
  - Address business challenges with HPC
  - Adopt HPC in existing business models
  - Develop skills in related disciplines on the basis of HPC, such as high performance data analytics (HPDA) and artificial intelligence to solve specific business problems
- Most projects use or rely on AI and HPC
- Grant of 50.000 150.000 € per beneficiary
- Support by experts from leading European HPC centres

### **Upcoming R&I opportunities**



### Call DIGITAL-EUROHPC-JU-2023-SME-01

### Supporting competitiveness and innovation potential of SMEs

### Three Open Calls for proposals in 2024, 2025 and 2026 on two topics

- **1.** Uptake of HPC by SMEs to address specific business challenges
- 2. Adoption of large scale HPC resources for the development of models for generative AI
  - SMEs must demonstrate an existing business model in the field of generative AI
  - Business concept must significantly benefit from advanced supercomputing resources
  - Existing training data set of sufficient scope and quality must be available
- Up to 30M funding 80% of funds reserved for direct financial support to SMEs
- Expertise from leading HPC centres to access and use large scale HPC resources

### **Upcoming R&I opportunities**



### **Proposed action for 2024: Support for HPC in Al**

### Address challenges related to HPC, for example

- Support pooling and consolidation of efforts by European communities to develop competitive Al enabled by HPC
- Support the adaptation and tuning of an AI software stack for (Euro)HPC supercomputers
- Facilitate the development and deployment of HPC-ready AI software to EuroHPC supercomputers, e.g. through the EuroHPC Continuous Integration and Deployment platform
- Provide well documented pre-trained models adapted to EuroHPC supercomputer
- Support communities to access supercomputing resources
- Contribute to HPC-AI training such as the proposed EuroHPC Academy