

EUROHPC JOINT UNDERTAKING

DECISION OF THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE EuroHPC JOINT UNDERTAKING

No 33/2024

approving the launch of the call for tenders for the acquisition of the **Daedalus Mid-Range 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) 2018/1488¹, (hereinafter, "the JU Regulation"), in particular Article 14 thereof,

Having regard to Statutes of the European High Performance Computing Joint Undertaking annexed to the JU Regulation (thereinafter "JU Statutes") and in particular to Articles 1(i) and 7(4)(f) thereof,

Having regard to the Governing Board Decision no 3/2020 approving the Financial Rules of the EuroHPC Joint Undertaking², in particular Article 43(5) thereof,

Having regard to the Governing Board Decision No 18/2022 of 14 June 2022 on the selection of the Hosting Entities for the Mid-Range supercomputers.

Having regard to the Governing Board Decision No 22/2021 of 12 November 2021 adopting the amended EuroHPC Joint Undertaking Work Plan and Budget for the year 2021,

Having regard to the Governing Board Decision No 05/2024 of 29 February 2024 amending the Decision of the Governing Board of the EuroHPC Joint Undertaking No 18/2022 of 14 June 2022 on the selection of the Hosting Entities for the Mid-Range Supercomputers,

¹ OJ L 256, 19.7.2021, p. 3.

² Readopted by Decision of the Governing Board of the EuroHPC Joint Undertaking No 17/2021, approving the re-adoption of Governing Board Decisions adopted under the framework of Regulation (EU) 2018/1488 and its updated Rules of Procedure in the view of Regulation (EU) 2021/1173.

WHEREAS

- (1) The EuroHPC Joint shall acquire, jointly with the contracting authorities of the Participating State where the Hosting Entity is established or with the contracting authorities of the Participating State in the hosting consortium, the Mid-Range Supercomputers and shall co-own them. The Parties signed a Joint Procurement Agreement (reference number Ares(2022)8418606) in this respect.
- (2) By means of the Governing Board Decision no 18/2022 of 14 June 2022, four Hosting Entities for the Mid-range Supercomputers were selected, among which GRNET was selected to host the Daedalus Mid-range Supercomputer.
- (3) The Governing Board shall approve the launch of the call for tenders in accordance with the annual work plan for the year 2021.
- (4) The EuroHPC Joint Undertaking, jointly with the Hosting Entity, will procure one Mid-Range supercomputer (Daedalus Mid-Range Supercomputer) within the agreed available budget for the acquisition.
- (5) Article 165(2) of the EU Financial Regulation provides that where the share pertaining to or managed by the contracting authority of a Member State in the total estimated value of the contract is equal to or above 50%, the Union institution may decide that the procedural rules applicable to the contracting authority of a Member State shall apply to the joint procurement provided that those rules may be considered as equivalent to those of the Union institution. Considering that the financial contribution of Greece to Daedalus Mid-Range Supercomputer will cover 65% of the total cost of ownership, the EuroHPC Joint Undertaking and Hosting Entity agreed in the Joint Procurement Agreement that the procedural rules under Greek law shall apply to this procurement procedure.
- (6) The EuroHPC and GRNET concluded a Joint Procurement Agreement on 2 December 2022 laying down the practical modalities that will govern the joint procurement procedure for the acquisition of the Daedalus Mid-range Supercomputer.

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

The Governing Board hereby approves the launch of the call for tenders for the acquisition of one Mid-range Supercomputer (Daedalus Mid-Range Supercomputer) in accordance with the annual Work Plan and Budget for the year 2021 and withing the agreed available budget.

Article 2

The Governing Board invites the competent authority, on the basis of the Joint Procurement Agreement concluded between the EuroHPC Joint Undertaking and the respective Hosting Entity, to proceed with all necessary actions for the launch of the call

for tenders for the acquisition of the Mid-Range supercomputer (Daedalus Mid-Range Supercomputer) in accordance with the legal framework and procedural provisions applicable to the joint procurement and within agreed budget for the its acquisition.

Article 3

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

Done at Luxembourg, on 12 June 2024.

For the Governing Board

Rafal Duczmal The Chair