



EUROPEAN HIGH PERFORMANCE COMPUTING JOINT UNDERTAKING

Summary of the 1st meeting of the Governing Board of the European High Performance Computing (EuroHPC) Joint Undertaking -6 November 2018

Executive Summary

The Governing Board of the EuroHPC JU met for the first time on 6 November 2018 in Luxembourg, at the seat of the EuroHPC JU, in the presence of Mariya Gabriel, European Commissioner for Digital Economy and Society.

The Commissioner opened the meeting, stressing the importance of the initiative. Representatives of the Participating States expressed their gratitude towards the Commissioner for her support and underlined the importance of such initiative for their country's economy and for Europe.

The Luxembourgish host, represented by Mario Grotz – Director General Research, Intellectual Property and new technologies of the Luxembourgish ministry of economy – made the opening speech welcoming the participants to this event.

Thomas Skordas, Director for Directorate C "Digital Excellence & Scientific Infrastructure" of Directorate General for Communications Networks, Content and Technology of the Commission, as Commission representative in the Governing Board of the Joint Undertaking (JU) chaired the meeting and welcomed the participants.

All Participating States of the JU were represented, with the exception of Ireland. Austria informed the chair that it received the mandate of The Netherlands to represent its interest.

From the Observer States, Sweden, Switzerland and the United Kingdom were present.

The Chair announced the appointments on November 5 of the Commission's Representative in the Governing Board, Deputy Director-General Khalil Rouhana and his substitute, Thomas Skordas. The Chair also announced the appointment of Gustav Kalbe as Interim Executive Director of the JU, as of October 23.

After formal approval of the draft agenda, and a tour de table of the attendees, a set of important decisions regarding the functioning of the EuroHPC and its bodies was formally adopted by everyone present:

- **Rules of Procedure of the Governing Board.**
- **Rules on the Prevention and Management of Conflicts of Interest (CoI) of the members of the Governing Board.**
- **Criteria and selection process for the composition of the Infrastructure Advisory Group.**
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The next meeting of the Governing Board will be held in Vienna on 6/7 December and the third meeting on 15 January in Luxembourg.

The Commission Representative and the Representatives of the Participating States thanked the representative of Luxembourg for hosting the 1st meeting and for the excellent organisation.