

EuroHPC JOINT UNDERKING DECISION OF THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE EuroHPC JOINT UNDERTAKING No 32/2022

Approving the launch of the second calls for expression of interest

for the selection of

Hosting Entities for Mid-Range Supercomputers

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"), in particular Articles 9, 10 and 14 thereof,

Having regard to the Statutes of the European High Performance Computing Joint Undertaking annexed to the Regulation (thereinafter "Statutes") and in particular to Articles 1(d), 6(4), 7(4) (c) and (d), and Article 9(5)(d) of thereof,

Having regard to the Governing Board Decision No 26/2022 of 3 October 2022 adopting the third amendment of EuroHPC Joint Undertaking Work Plan and Budget for the year 2022,

WHEREAS

- (1) The Joint Undertaking shall entrust to hosting entities the operation of mid-range supercomputers jointly owned by the Joint Undertaking, in accordance with Article 14.
- (2) For the mid-range supercomputers, the hosting entity may represent a Participating State that is a Member State or a hosting consortium. The hosting entity and the competent authorities of the Participating State or Participating States in a hosting consortium shall enter into an agreement to that effect.
- (3) Following a call for expression of interest, the hosting entity referred to in paragraph 2 above and the corresponding Participating State where the hosting entity is established or the corresponding hosting consortium shall be selected by the Governing Board through a fair and transparent process based, inter alia, on the criteria provided in Article 9(5) of the Regulation.

¹ OJ L 256, 19.7.2021, p. 3–51

- (4) The third amendment of the annual Work Plan of the EuroHPC Joint Undertaking for the year 2022, has been adopted by the Governing Board by its Decision No 26/2022 of 3 October 2022. This amendment includes the need of the EuroHPC Joint Undertaking to organise calls for expression of interest for the acquisition and operation of several mid-range supercomputers to be procured in 2023, for which the relevant hosting entity shall be identified first.
- (5) The Governing Board should then approve the launch of the second call for expression of interest for the selection of hosting entities for mid-range supercomputers, in accordance with the Annual Work Plan 2022.
- (6) The Executive Director of the EuroHPC Joint Undertaking should manage the call for expression of interest as provided for in the Annual Work Plan 2022.
- (7) During 29th Governing Board meeting, the Governing Board discussed the launch of these call for expression of interest and

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

The Governing Board hereby approves the launch of the second call for expression of interest for the selection of hosting entities for a mid-range supercomputer, in accordance with the Annual Work Plan of the EuroHPC Joint Undertaking for the year 2022, and within the available budget in accordance with the Budget of the Joint Undertaking for 2022, and invites the Executive Director to take all necessary action in that regard.

Article 2

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

Done at Bologna, on 25 November 2022

For the Governing Board

[e-signed]

Herbert Zeisel

The Chair

Annexes:

- I. Call for Expression of Interest.
- II. Hosting Agreement
- III. Joint Procurement Agreement