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EuroHPC: The European Joint Undertaking on High-Performance Computing

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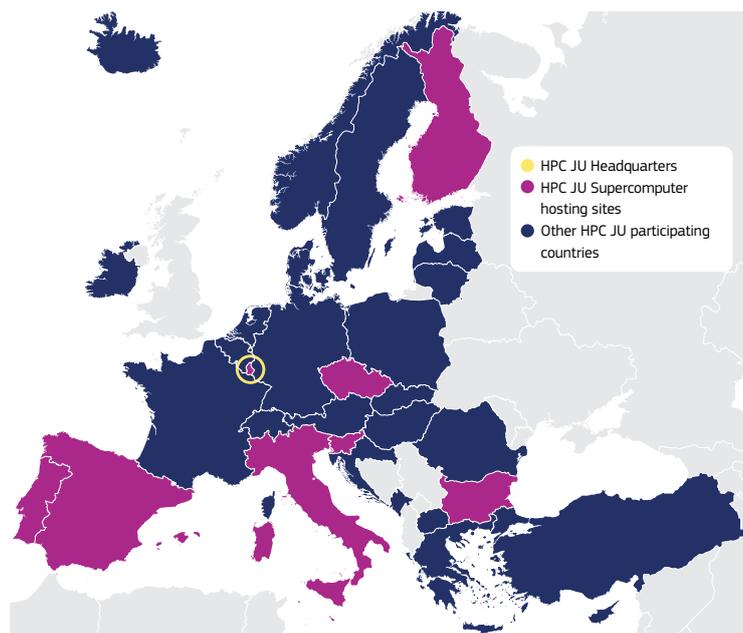


EuroHPC
Joint Undertaking

Launched in 2018, the [EuroHPC Joint Undertaking](#) aims at making Europe a world leader in [high performance computing](#) and [quantum computing](#).

In September 2020 the Commission set out a new ambitious mission to lead on supercomputing with a proposed regulation that includes a significantly higher budget of **€8 billion.**

EuroHPC brings together 32 participating countries, and 2 private partners



With the current EU budget of over €1 billion for 2019-2020, the EuroHPC Joint Undertaking is:



acquiring and deploying 8 new top supercomputers, worth €830 million, benefiting all users, including the public sector, industry and SMEs, no matter where in Europe they are located;

3 of these supercomputers will be in the world's top 5, and the other 5 will be in the world's top 50.



supporting a research and innovation agenda, worth €370 million, to develop supercomputing hardware and software, applications and skills.

SUPERCOMPUTERS IN ACTION

Supercomputers, also known as high-performance computing, are **advanced systems** capable of **dealing with complex matters in health, energy, engineering, climate research** and many more. It will also soon be possible to build computers that combine quantum and classical computing, able to **perform even greater numbers of operations in parallel**.

Supercomputers are a strategic asset for our society to:



Monitor and mitigate the effects of climate change, for example with the [Destination Earth initiative](#)



Search for new treatments e.g. a potential [treatment](#) for the coronavirus, better understand neurological disorders, and develop new medicines



Design safer and greener cars and aircraft, reduce development time, minimise costs, and optimise decision processes in manufacturing

High-performance computing

- **supports the digitisation of industry and innovation in automotive, aerospace, manufacturing, chemicals, energy and health.**
- **is key to boosting innovation, and scientific breakthroughs. For example, the Nobel Prizes for Physics 2017 were awarded for detecting gravitational waves with help of supercomputers.**

A new proposed regulation on EuroHPC

With the EuroHPC regulation the Commission proposes a **significantly higher budget** of €8 billion until 2033, to:



expand and deploy in the EU **a world-class supercomputing and data infrastructure**, also in view of having 3 supercomputers in the world's top 5;

make the supercomputing and quantum computing resources **accessible to all users across Europe**, including SMEs, and provide them with **training on necessary skills**;

scale up supercomputing technology to irrigate the entire digital strategy, from **big data analytics and artificial intelligence, to cloud technologies and cybersecurity**;

provide **secure cloud-based services** for the European public data space, as presented in the 2020 [European Data Strategy](#);

develop and deploy **a quantum computing infrastructure** to solve complex problems.

Useful links: [High-performance computing](#) [EuroHPC Joint Undertaking](#)

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