



EuroHPC JOINT UNDERTAKING
DECISION OF THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE EuroHPC JOINT
UNDERTAKING No 49/2025

**Approving the selection of the tender for the acquisition, delivery,
installation and hardware and software maintenance of Alice Recoque
Exascale 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, in particular Article 11 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(i), 6(5) and 7(4)(g) thereof,

Having regard to the Council Regulation (EU) 2024/1732 of 17 June 2024 amending Regulation (EU) 2021/1173 as regards a EuroHPC initiative for start-ups in order to boost European leadership in trustworthy artificial intelligence²,

Having regard to EuroHPC Joint Undertaking Financial Rules, approved by Governing Board Decision 3/2020, of 20 February 2020³ and, in particular to Article 43 thereof.

Having regard to the Governing Board Decision No 41/2022 of 5 December 2022 adopting the amended EuroHPC Joint Undertaking Work Plan and Budget for the year 2022 (Amendment No. 5),

Having regard to Governing Board Decision No 13/2023 of 15 June 2023, on the selection of the Hosting Entity for a second High-End supercomputer,

Having regard to the Governing Board Decision No 32/2024 of 19 June 2024 amending the Governing Board Decision No 13/2023 on the selection of the Hosting Entity for a second High-End supercomputer (Amendment No 1),

¹ OJ L 256, 19.7.2021, p. 3–51

² OJ L, 19.6.2024, p. 1-5.

³ As readopted by Governing Board Decision No 17/2021, of 30 September 2021.

Having regard to Governing Board Decision No 42/2024 of 8 August 2024, amending the Governing Board Decision No 13/2023 on the selection of the Hosting Entity for a second High-End supercomputer (Amendment No 2),

Having regard to Governing Board Decision No 49/2024 of 6 September 2024, approving the launch of the call for tenders for the acquisition, delivery, installation and hardware and software maintenance of Alice Recoque Exascale Supercomputer,

WHEREAS

- (1) The Joint Undertaking shall procure the Exascale Supercomputers and shall own them and entrust to a Hosting Entity the operation of each individual Exascale Supercomputer it owns.
- (2) By Decision No 13/2023 of 15 June 2023, the Governing Board selected GENCI as Hosting Entity for Alice Recoque High-End supercomputer.
- (3) By Decision No 49/2024 of 6 September 2024, the Governing Board launched the call for tenders for the acquisition, delivery, installation and hardware and software maintenance of ALICE RECOQUE Exascale Supercomputer.
- (4) The evaluation procedure followed the applicable public procurement rules for competitive dialogue procedures in the term provided in the Financial Regulation. The competitive dialogue procurement is divided in three main stages: a) selection stage, b) dialogue stage and c) the tendering stage. The evaluation committee was appointed by the responsible authorising officer of EuroHPC Joint Undertaking. Three external experts selected by EuroHPC Joint Undertaking assisted the evaluation committee with a detailed technical analysis against the award criteria.
- (5) One vendor submitted an eligible tender in response to the call and has been evaluated by the evaluation committee. The evaluation committee, taking into account external experts' individual evaluation reports, concluded that the tender was covering all the tender mandatory technical requirements as described in the technical specifications part of the call for tenders and presenting the best overall solution in for what concerns the technical value of the system, including the quality of hardware and software, the EU added value and the R&D collaboration with the Hosting Entity. More details on the evaluation procedure are provided in the annexed evaluation report.

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

The Governing Board hereby approves the selection of the tender for the acquisition of one (1) Exascale Supercomputer (Alice Recoque supercomputer), in accordance with the annual Work Plan of the EuroHPC Joint Undertaking for the year 2022, and within the agreed available budget for the acquisition of the respective Exascale Supercomputer.

Article 2

The Executive Director shall inform the tenderer of the results of the evaluation and shall communicate simultaneously the relevant criteria scoring and analysis.

Article 3

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

Done at Luxembourg, on 6 November 2025.

For the Governing Board

Rafal Duczmal

The Chair