

# EuroHPC JOINT UNDERTAKING DECISION OF THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE EuroHPC JOINT UNDERTAKING No 46/2025

# Approving the selection of EuroHPC AI Factory Antennas linked to selected AI Factories

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) 2018/1488<sup>1</sup>, as amended by 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 intelligence<sup>2</sup>, (hereinafter, "the Regulation"),

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

Having regard to Decision of the Governing Board of the EuroHPC Joint Undertaking No 09/2025 of 7 April 2025, amending the Joint Undertaking's Work Programme and Budget for the year 2025 (Work Programme and Budget Amendment No 2),

Having regard to Decision of the Governing Board of the EuroHPC Joint Undertaking No 13/2025 of 7 April 2025, approving the launch of a call for proposals on EuroHPC AI Factory Antennas (Ref. HORIZON-EUROHPC-JU-2025-AIFA-01),

## **WHEREAS**

(1) By means of Decision of the EuroHPC JU Governing Board No 13/2025 of 7 April 2025, the Governing Board approved the launch of a call for proposals on EuroHPC AI Factory Antennas (Ref. HORIZON-EUROHPC-JU-2025-AIFA-01),

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> OJ L 256, 19.7.2021, p. 3–51.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> OJ L, 19.6.2024, p. 1-5.

- (2) The call was published by the EuroHPC Joint Undertaking on its website on 22 May 2025 providing the deadline for the submission of proposals on 21 August 2025,
- (3) By 21 August 2025, fourteen proposals were submitted for the above-referred call. The proposals were checked against the technical criteria set out in the above referred call for proposals,
- (4) The applications were evaluated by independent experts who concluded that thirteen proposals were above the threshold,
- (5) The Governing Board, based on the technical assessment of the proposals, shall approve the selection of EuroHPC AI Factory Antennas, with indication of the maximum Union contribution,
- (6) The Executive Director should implement the decision of the EuroHPC JU Governing Board,

## HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION

### Article 1

The Governing Board, based on the technical assessment of the proposal, hereby approves the selection of EuroHPC AI Factory Antennas, with indication of the maximum Union funding to be allocated to each AI Factory Antenna (Annex 1).

The Union financial contributions for each of the selected AI Factory Antennas is subject to budget availability. The Governing Board decides to amend the Work Programme 2025 accordingly.

### Article 2

The Executive Director of the EuroHPC Joint Undertaking is mandated to take the necessary measures to implement the decision of the Governing Board and should invite the selected AI Factory Antenna(s) and the linked AI Factory(-ies) to the process of signing the Memorandum of Understanding setting out the terms of their collaboration.

# Article 3

This Decision shall be subject to the condition that after its approval, all documents requested in the call HORIZON-EUROHPC-JU-2025-AIFA-01 are duly submitted and received by EuroHPC Joint Undertaking. If the required documents are not provided within the specified timeframe, the Grant Agreement shall not be signed.

### Article 4

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

Done at Luxembourg, on 8 October 2025.

For the Governing Board Rafal Duczmal The Chair

Annex 1. Ranking list of proposals retained as EuroHPC AI Factory Antennas linked to selected AI Factories

Rank	Proposal Acronym	Final Score	Number of Participants	Proposal Budget	Proposal Duration	Requested Grant Amount	Expert Recommended Grant	Commulative
1	AIFA-ICE	57	6	9,997,660.00€	36	4,998,830.01 €	4,998,830.01 €	4,998,830.01 €
2	HunAIFA	56	6	10,000,000.00 €	36	5,000,000.00€	5,000,000.00€	9,998,830.01 €
3	AIF IRL-Antenna	56	9	9,999,687.50 €	36	4,999,843.75 €	4,999,843.75 €	14,998,673.76 €
4	HEARTS	54	2	9,999,500.00€	36	4,999,750.00€	4,999,750.00€	19,998,423.76 €
5	BE-AIFA	51	23	10,000,000.00€	36	5,000,000.00€	5,000,000.00€	24,998,423.76 €
6	SAIFA	47	8	3,862,010.00 €	36	1,931,004.00 €	1,931,004.00 €	26,929,427.76 €
7	UKAIFA	47	1	10,000,000.75 €	36	5,000,000.00€	5,000,000.00€	31,929,427.76 €
8	VEZILKA	46	1	6,225,440.00 €	36	3,112,720.00 €	3,112,720.00 €	35,042,147.76 €
9	AIFA-LAT	45	7	7,802,490.00 €	36	3,901,245.03 €	3,901,245.03 €	38,943,392.79 €
10	Pharos-CY	43	9	6,000,000.00€	36	3,000,000.00€	3,000,000.00€	41,943,392.79 €
11	CALYPSO	42	1	10,000,000.00€	36	5,000,000.00€	5,000,000.00€	46,943,392.79 €
12	SKAIAT	40	2	7,164,655.00 €	36	3,582,327.50 €	3,582,327.50 €	50,525,720.29 €
13	FAIMA	40	4	9,035,000.00 €	36	4,517,500.00 €	4,517,500.00 €	55,043,220.29 €

Annex 2. *List of proposals below the threshold.* 

	Application acronym	Ranking score (max 100)	Evaluation status
14	NBILAIFAGR	Not ranked	Final