

1st HPC Café 12.12.2024





- 1. HPC Café: Kick-Off
 - · What and Why?

Agenda

- How? → Discussion!
- 2. Procurement of HoreKa Successor
 - Keynote speech: "Upcoming high performance computer HoreKa-2"
 - Survey on Scientific needs → Discussion!
- 3. Questions and answers

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HPC Café: What and Why?

- Close exchange between operators and users
 - Feedback loop apart from tickets/announcements
 - Exchange of ideas
- Informal meeting
 - "Keynote speech": Only in case someone wants to share a current challenge/project
 - Focus: Discussions
- Question and answer sessions

→ Further improve of the NHR@KIT services



HPC Café: How?

- Agenda
 - **How** would you like to interact?
- Frequency
 - How often should we meet?







Upcoming High Performance Computer HoreKa-2



Naming



- Not definitive yet
- Working name: "HoreKa-2"





User groups:

- Earth System Sciences
- Material Sciences
- Engineering in Energy and Mobility Research
- Particle and Astroparticle Physics Research

Method focus:

- Data Intensive Computing
- Numerical Algorithms
- Software Sustainability

User support:

- SimDatal abs
- Trainings, Hackathons, Code Summers for GPU **Programming**
- Continuous Integration/Testing/etc. (Cx)
- Federated Authentification Infrastructure
- Industry Cooperations
- Security Audits
- Mini-Apps for Procurements

HoreKa-2 Overview



- Budget
 - ~15 million €
 - ~3 million € HAICORE
- Procurement: Q1/2025
- Commissioning of first phase: End of Q4/2025
- Full commissioning: Mid 2026
- Components: Compute + Filesystem
- Location: North Campus
 - DLC, hot water cooled, ~40°C in, ~45°C out
 - Power envelope: less then 1 MW







Basic considerations:

- Tier-2 system
- As technologically open as possible
- Has to serve both HPC and AI workloads
- Energy Awareness

Procurement Considerations Implications



Tier-2:

- Cluster-Size
- Exotic hardware conceivable ← → Tier-3
- Advanced users assumed



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Procurement Considerations Implications

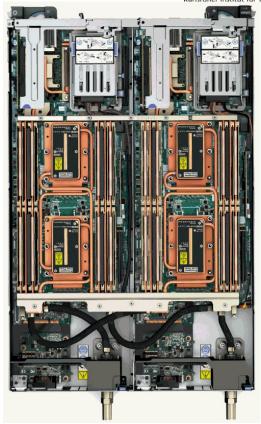
As technologically open as possible:

- Exotic hardware conceivable
- Hybrid or not
 - CPU and accelerated nodes
 - Accelerated nodes only
- Possible architectures
 - x86

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- ARM
- Power
- Accelerators
 - GPU: NVIDIA or AMD
 - Other accelerators





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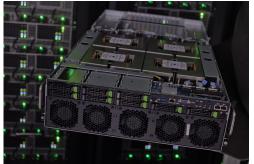
Procurement Considerations Implications



Has to serve both HPC and Al workloads:

- If hybrid system
 - Which split between CPU and accelerated partitions?
 - Same host architecture on CPU/GPU-nodes?
 - **x86/x86?**
 - x86/ARM?
 - ARM/ARM?
- Accelerators
 - Double precision required? / "HPC-Flavor" (yes: rather AMD)
 - Convenience/off-the-shelf software? / "Al-Flavor" (yes: rather NVIDIA)





Procurement Considerations Implications



Energy Awareness:

- Fixed financial budget for energy
 - Checkpointing
 - Power scaling
 - CPU/GPU-hours → energy budget for compute projects
- Full DLC components preferred
- Accelerated codes!
- Please contact SSPE-Team ;)





End of presentation



Survey on Scientific needs

- How can the system optimally be tailored to the users' needs?
 - Feedback from the scientists!
 - We need to involve our users transparently
 - → Survey on scientific needs for the new high-performance computer HoreKa-2
- Let's have a look...
 - https://indico.scc.kit.edu/event/4805/surveys/109?token=653dccee-1454-4904-848e-9b5a6d89923d

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Survey / List of questions

- To how many nodes does your job scale?
- Main memory per task / MPI process
- Job profile
- Does the program use checkpointing?
- Number of files
- Storage space
- Data transfer from/to cluster.

- HPC or Al workloads
- Job Profile: CPU & GPU Mix
- Porting of Workflows and applications to GPUs
- What type of accelerator is needed?
- Can your application run on ARM?
- Used Software
- Application support services



Survey

- Is anything missing in the survey?
- How would YOUR ideal supercomputer look like?



Discussion: HoreKa-2 and Survey



Questions and Answers

It's up to you!