

Dear Anders Dam Jensen

Thank you very much for the reply message.

I thought our initial request (please review the next page below) clearly stated the motivation behind our request: “to provide a vehicle for our industry and scientific communities in order to benefit from world class super computers access”.

The EuroHPC Joint Undertaking (JU) enables the coordination of efforts and the sharing of resources at European level with the objective of deploying a world-class High Performance (HPC) infrastructure and a competitive innovation ecosystem in supercomputing technologies, applications and skills in Europe (HuroHPC JU GB decision 25/2021).

The aim of the HuroHPC JU is to Co-invest on a leading HPC and data infrastructure for our scientists, industry and the public sector and support the development of technologies and applications across a wide range of fields. Those targets of the JU is strictly in-line with some of the Israeli priority activities, named AI and Quantum. Israel would like to contribute to the collaborative activities in order to achieve the JU target to create and develop such supercomputing echo system that will lead the way for more HPC applications, new technologies and skills in the HPC area.

Yours sincerely,

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Subject: Application to become a new Participating State in the European High Performance Computing (EuroHPC) Joint Undertaking

Dear Governing Board members,

Israel greatly welcomes its application to join EuroHPC to provide a vehicle for our industry and scientific communities in order to benefit from world class super computers access.

On behalf of Israel and in accordance with the Article 3(1) and (2) of the Statutes of the European High Performance Computing (EuroHPC) Joint Undertaking, that are set out in Annex of the Council Regulation (EU) 2021/1173 ¹ (hereafter "EuroHPC Regulation"), I hereby inform you of Israel's intention to become one of its Members.

To this end, Israel accepts the Statutes and any other provisions governing the functioning of the EuroHPC Joint Undertaking. Israel commits to contribute in accordance with Article 7 of the EuroHPC Regulation and to the financing referred to in Article 15 of the Statutes to achieve the objectives of the Joint Undertaking set out in Article 3 of the EuroHPC Regulation.

Israel has designated the Israel Innovation Authority (IIA) as being responsible for fulfilling the obligations of Israel under this Regulation. Dan Seker, Senior Director at IIA (Dan@Iserd.org.il) will be the representative of Israel on the Governing Board while Nati Avrahami, CEO of IUCC (natia@iucc.ac.il) and Hank Nussbacher of IUCC (hank@mail.iucc.ac.il) will be his substitute. The appointed representative, or in the case of his absence the substitute, shall be empowered to take all of the decisions and shall hold the voting rights in that regard.

We trust this membership application will be accepted and will bring to both our communities an added value to our scientific research.

Yours sincerely,



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