

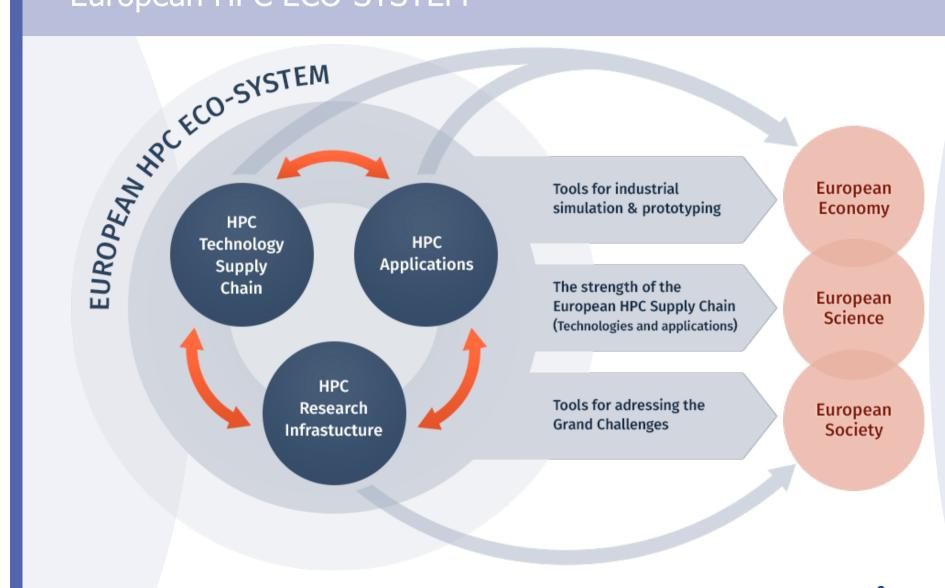
EXDCI – Supporting the European HPC ecosystem towards the Exascale endeavour

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European HPC ECO-SYSTEM



EXDCI in a nutshell

General objective

Support the coordination of the development and implementation of a common strategy for the European HPC Ecosystem.

- Strategic goals
 - Support the implementation of a common European HPC strategy through the coordination of activities of stakeholders
 - Support the road-mapping, strategy-making and performancemonitoring activities of the ecosystem
- EXDCI is a 30-month project starting from September 2015 with
 - a budget of € 2.5 million
 - with 173.5 PMs



The Consortium

The EXDCI project consortium has been designed to represent a crosssection of European and international key actors in the field of HPC.

The partnership is composed of:

- 2 contractual partners which are PRACE AISBL and ETP4HPC.
- 21 third parties which mainly are HPC centres all over Europe involved directly (though the different committees of the association)
- 8 Subcontractors







Where Are We Going?

- Next generation of HPC systems is multi-objectives
 - 10¹⁸ flops of strategic interest for a small community
 - Beyond the traditional HPC, e.g. Smart-cities, IoT
 - Convergence of HPC, HPDA and Cloud computing
 - Machine learning friendly
 - Support for complex workflows (distributed, heterogeneous, interactive, etc.)
 - Combining edges, data centers, supercomputers
- Develop EU technologies
 - Reduce dependencies
- Improve infrastructures
 - Network, storage and systems

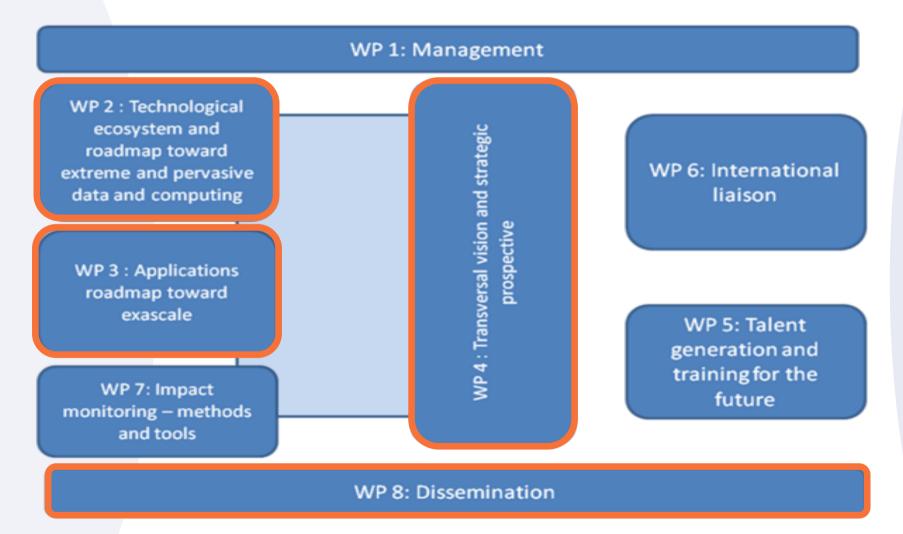


Why Are We going There?

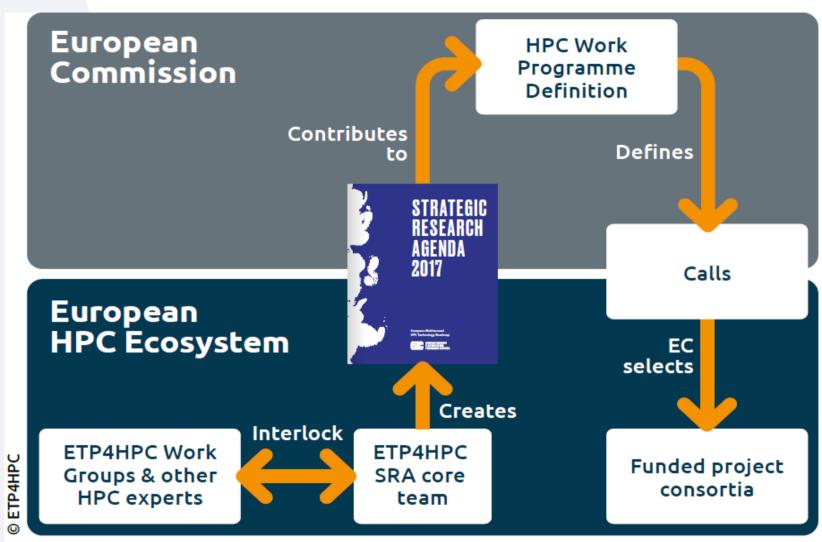
- Science needs more computing power, storage, data analysis
 - Numerical laboratories (in Pathways to convergence document)
- Specific to EU ecosystem
 - After a high expansion period we are losing ground
 - Increased competition
 - HPC at scale becomes more critical for economy, environment and metropolis development (cities systemic models, digital twins, etc.)
 - Entangled with the Big Data economy
 - New policies, e.g. make all scientific data produced by H2020 open by default
- Building a full HPC ecosystem is imperative to ensure long term value creation
 - Part of the innovation and economic growth assets
 - Training new generation of scientists and engineers
 - Securing our own independent HPC system supply



Work Plan

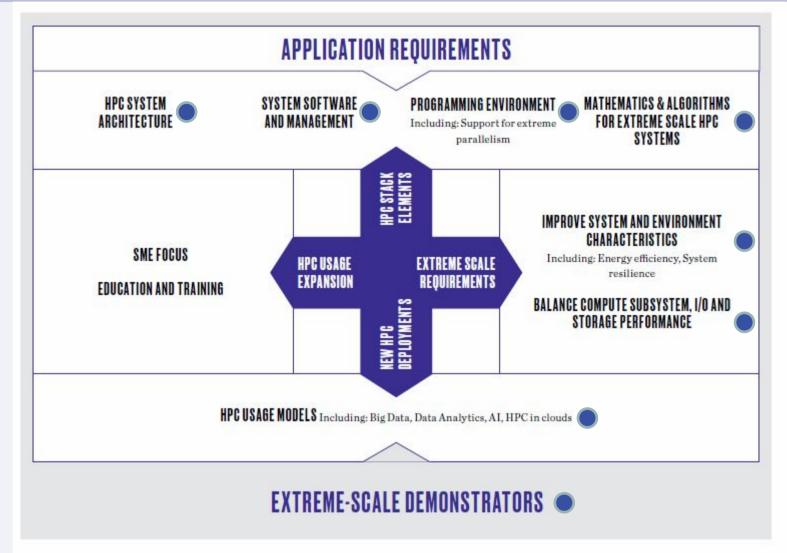


The role of the SRA



SRA 3 Model and 8 Technical Working Groups







Applications roadmapping

- Organisation
 - 4 working groups of 45 experts
 - ▼ T3.1 : Industrial and engineering applications
 - (EDF: Yvan FOURNIER, University of Aachen: Heinz PITSCH)
 - ▼ T3.2 : Weather, Climatology and Solid Earth Sciences
 - (Univ. Salento/CMCC: Giovanni ALOISIO, JCA Consultance: Jean-Claude ANDRE)
 - √ T3.3 : Fundamental Sciences
 - (CEA: A. Sacha BRUN, JSC: Stefan KRIEG)
 - ✓ T3.4 : Life Science & Health
 - (BioExcel CoE/ KTH: Rossen APOSTOLOV, CompBioMED / UCL: Peter COVENEY)
 - T3.5: Coordination, consolidation of application roadmaps and inputs to the update of the PRACE Scientific Case
- Deliverables
 - D3.1: "First set of reports and recommendations toward applications" (M15)
 - D3.2: "EXDCI Inputs to the PRACE Scientific Case » (M27) followed by a 3rd version of the PRACE Scientific Case provided by the PRACE SSC



Application roadmapping (2)

Contribution from 45 experts of 8 countries

Academia & industry

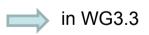
Strong collaborations with the CoE:











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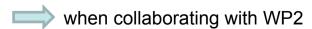
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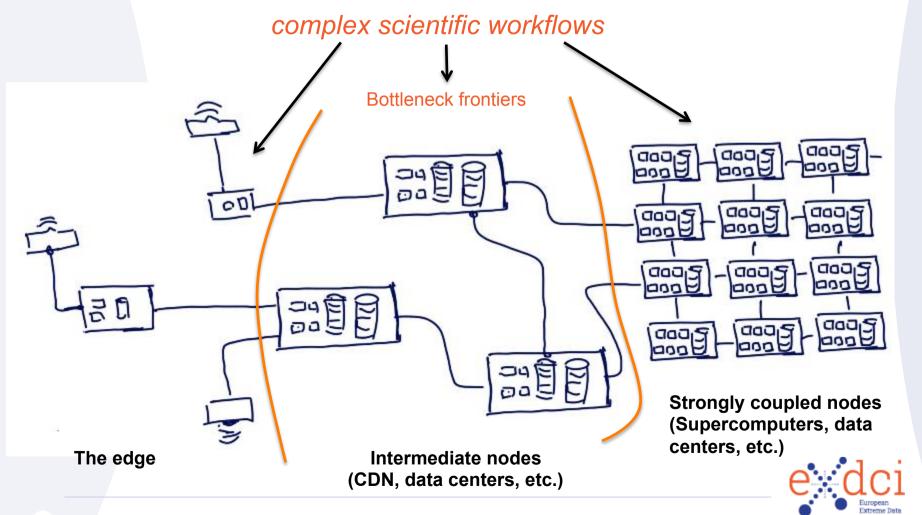


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Transverse vision - Support for Complex Workflows

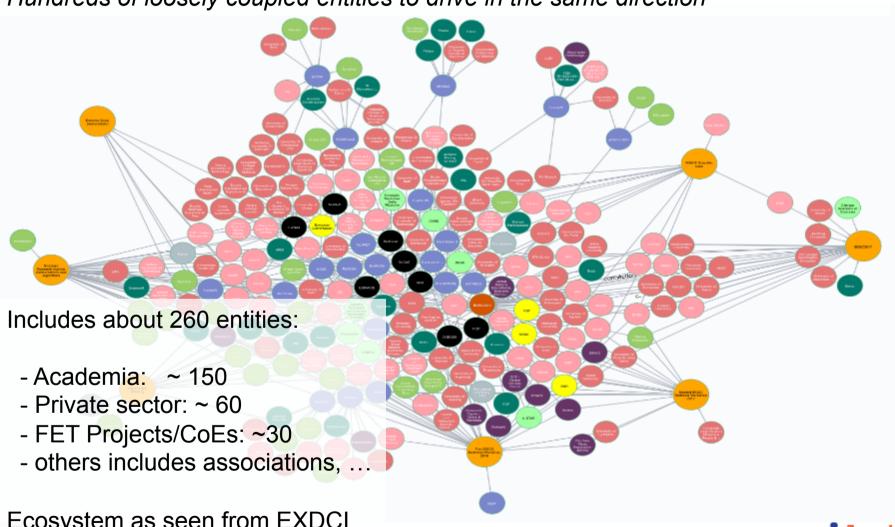
Data location and energy are the critical dimensioning parameters

- We have frontiers where we need a continuum
- Topology oblivious routing scheme is not adequate

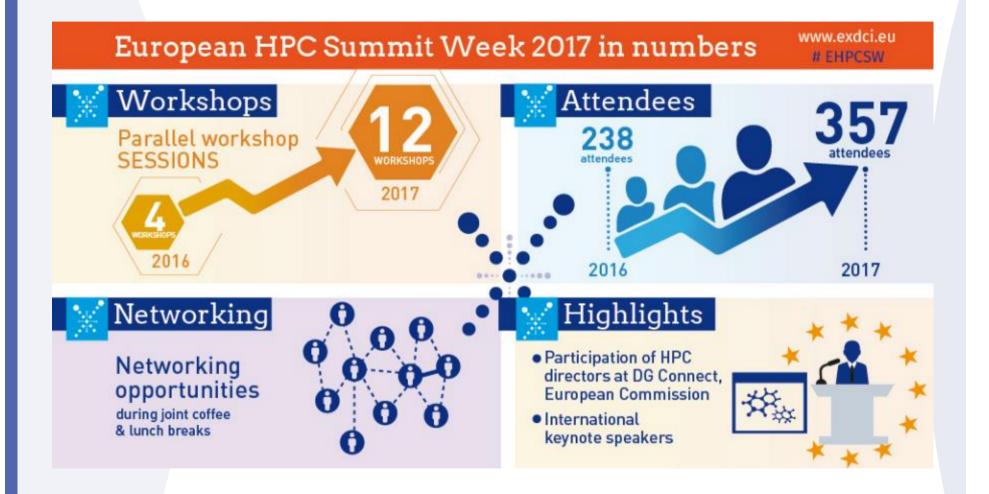


A Map of the Ecosystem as Connected by EXDCI

Hundreds of loosely coupled entities to drive in the same direction



European HPC Summit Week 2016 and 2017





European HPC Summit Week 2018

28 May – 1 June 2018 - University of Ljubljana, Slovenia



Initiative

EXDCI-2

General objective

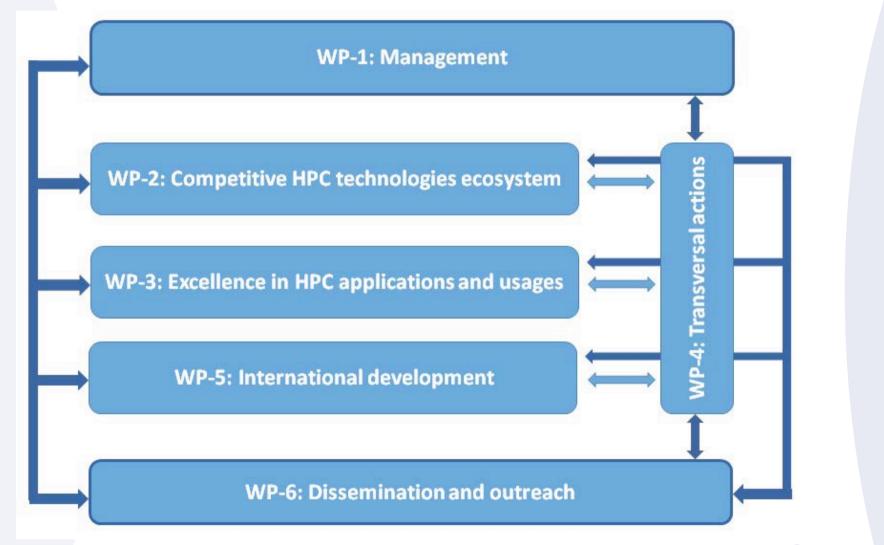
 Building upon the success of EXDCI, continue the coordination of the HPC ecosystem with important enhancements to better address the convergence of big data, cloud and HPC.

Strategic goals

- Development and advocacy of a competitive European HPC Exascale
 Strategy
- Coordination of the stakeholder community for European HPC at the Exascale
- EXDCI-2 is a 30-month project started in March 2018 with
 - a budget of € 2.44 million
 - with ~200 PMs



EXDCI-2 Work packages structure





Thank you for your attention

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