The pan-European supercomputer of the North

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Outline

- The long story of LUMI and EuroHPC (made short)
- The opportunities and benefits for research, development and innovation offered by LUMI
- How to prepare for LUMI?
- Q&A

The EuroHPC Initiative

- The EuroHPC Joint Undertaking will pool EU and national resources in highperformance computing (HPC)
 - oacquiring and providing a world-class supercomputing and data infrastructure for Europe's scientific, industrial and public users

osupporting an ambitious research and innovation agenda

- The EuroHPC declaration has been signed by **32 European countries**
- The first generation of EuroHPC systems announced in June 2019

 o3 pre-exascale systems to Finland, Italy and Spain
 o5 petascale systems to Czech Republic, Bulgaria, Luxembourg, Portugal and Slovenia
- Next generations of systems planned for 2023-2024 and 2026-2027

LUMI Consortium

• Unique consortium of 10 countries with strong national HPC centers

Countries which have signed the EuroHPC Declaration LUMI Consortium countries

CSC Datacenter in Kajaan

- The resources of LUMI will be allocated per the investments
- The share of the EuroHPC JU (50%) will be allocated by a peer-review process (cf. PRACE Tier-o access) and available for all European researchers
- The shares of the LUMI partner countries will be allocated by local considerations and policies – seen and handled as extensions to national resources

LUMI Datacenter in Kajaani

100% hydroelectric energy up to 200 MW

Very reliable power grid: Only one 2 min outage in 38 years

100% free cooling available, PUE 1.03

Waste heat reuse: effective energy price $35 \notin MWh$, negative CO₂ footprint: 13500 tons reduced every year

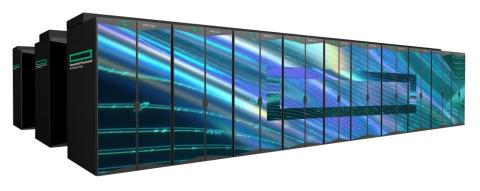
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Extreme connectivity: Kajaani DC is a direct part of the Nordic backbone. 4x100 Gbit/s to GÉANT in place, can be easily scaled up to multi-terabit level

Elevated security standards guaranteed by ISO27001 compliancy

Benefits and opportunities for R&I by LUMI

LUMI: one of the fastest supercomputers in the world



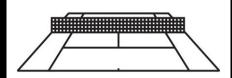
- LUMI will be an HPE Cray EX supercomputer manufactured by Hewlett Packard Enterprise
- Peak performance over **550 petaflop/s** makes the system one of the world's fastest
 - Fastest today is Fugaku supercomputer in Japan with 513 petaflop/s, second fastest Summit in USA with 200 petaflop/s)

1 system 550 Pflop/s Peak Performance

Computing power equivalent to

1 500 000

Modern laptop computers

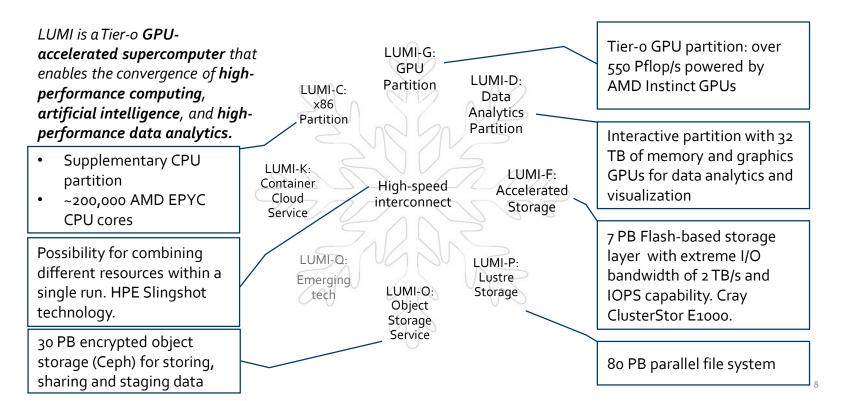


Size of a tennis court

Modern platform for High-performance computing, Artificial intelligence, Data analytics

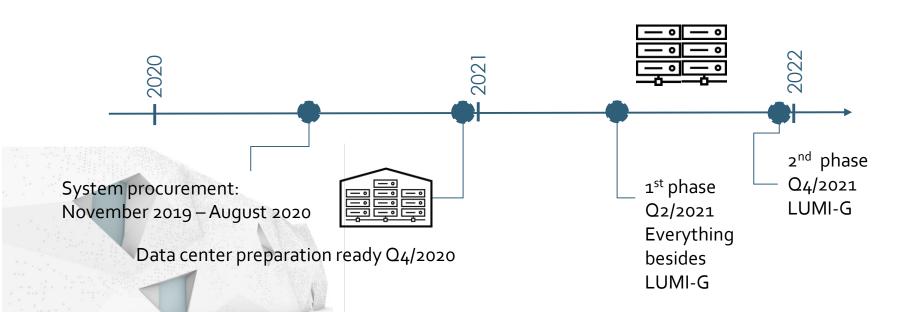
Based on GPU technology

LUMI, the Queen of the North





LUMI Timeline



Enhanced user experience

- In addition to traditional CLI, we wish to support high-level interfaces on LUMI, i.e. seamlessly integrate Jupyter Notebooks, Rstudio and such to back-end to LUMI
 - Ultimately the LUMI resources being an extension to your laptop
- Large software budget will enable a rich stack of pre-installed software
- Datasets as a Service: curated large reference datasets available and maintained
- Interactive resources for steering batch job simulations
- Exhaustive user support by the LUMI User Support Team

Enterprise use of LUMI resources

- Up to 20% of LUMI's capacity is reserved for industry and SMEs
- New RDI opportunities are available utilizing world class HPC resources combined with data-analytics and AI
- Novel co-operation possibilities for enterprises with universities and research centers
- Business Finland's Business AI program provides free-of-charge computing resources for startups and SMEs for significant research projects
- Computing resources can also be used in co-innovation projects of companies and academia
 - Resources arranged through academic PIs in these cases

How to prepare for LUMI?

LUMI capacities, a brief summary

- Extreme computing capacity based on LUMI-G and LUMI-C partitions
 - LUMI queue policies will support jobs from single CPU core or a GPU to 50% of the nodes, even 100% with special arrangements
 - Jobs can combine resources from both sides within a workflow, even within the same executable
- Interactive use (visualization, data analysis, pre/post processing,...) on LUMI-D
- Broad stack of pre-installed scientific software, databases and datasets, both commercial and community
- Sharing datasets over LUMI-O service
- Running microservices on LUMI-K
- Exploring the quantum computing world with LUMI-Q

Getting LUMI resources

- LUMI resources are allocated in terms of GPU-hours, CPU-core-hours, and storage hours
 - Each project applies and gets a combination of this
 - No dedicated hardware all users can access the whole system within the batch job policies
 - All countries receive shares of these pools per their share of the TCO
- Researchers affiliated to Finland can apply from the EuroHPC allocation or from Finland's allocation
 - CSC will be your first point of contact
 - Similar schemes in other consortium member countries
- Resources brokered in terms of
 - Preparatory access projects (XS) single-PI
 - Development access projects (S) single-PI
 - General access (Tier-1) projects (M) single-PI
 - Extreme scale (Tier-o) projects (L) single-PI, should be mostly GPU hours
 - Community access projects (XL) multi-PI, multi-year

How to prepare for LUMI?

- Thinking projects and use cases for Lumi
 - Cases for Tier-o grand challenges
 - Combining simulation and AI methods within the same workflow
- There is a vast pool of GPU-enabled community codes
 - See if your favorite software suite already has been enabled- if not, consider moving to a competing package that is
 - Perhaps only part of the application needs to be GPU-enabled, rest running on the CPU nodes
- Modernizing applications and GPU-enabling them
 - "even if it works, fix it"

LUMI programming environment

- ROCm (Radeon Open Compute)
 - Usual set of accelerated scientific libraries (BLAS, FFT etc)
 - Usual machine leaning frameworks and libraries (Tensorflow, PyTorch etc)
 - Compilers for the GPUs
- Cray Programming Environment (CPE) stack
 - Cray Compiling Environment, LibSci libraries, CrayPAT, debuggers,...
 - CPE Deep Learning Plugin

Preparing applications and workflows LUM for LUMI

- Remember the possibility of combining CPU and GPU nodes within one job perhaps only part of the application needs to be GPU-enabled
- Refactorize and modernize your code
- Employ modern frameworks and libraries
- Write a well-scaling MPI code first and accelerate it with GPUs, not vice versa
- Convert CUDA codes to HIP, OpenACC codes to OpenMP
 - LUMI 1st phase will come with a porting platform
 - HIP porting can be done already now on Puhti-AI

Concluding remarks

- EuroHPC era: Unprecendent amount of computational resources and capabilities available for European research & innovation
 - Complemented by competence building and user support activities
 - Synergestic with the up-to-date national data infrastructure
- LUMI, the Queen of the North: leadership-class resource designed for a broad range of user communities and workloads, with an enhanced user experience
 - LUMI will be a GPU system, which needs some preparatory work but it will be a robust production system, and not experimental or esoteric in any manner
- Modernizing HPC applications for harnessing the largest systems is not trivial, and needs a lot of focused effort but it will pay off
 - It is time already to start preparing for the LUMI era



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