



# **European High Performance Computing Strategy and Outlook**

## ***Towards Exascale***

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# Key EU developments HPC



Communication from the EC  
"High-Performance Computing:  
Europe's place in a global race" (2012)



Council Conclusions on High-Performance  
Computing (Competitiveness Council –  
2013)



Establishment of the European Technology  
Platform on High-Performance Computing  
(ETP4HPC - 2012) and Strategic Research  
Agenda on HPC (2013)



Horizon 2020 programme including  
HPC Calls adopted (end of 2013)



Public-Private Partnership with ETP4HPC  
(1st January 2014)

High Performance Computing PPP: Mastering the  
next generation of computing technologies for  
innovative products and scientific discovery

- HPC to tackle major scientific, societal and competitiveness challenges
- Innovative world-class industrial products and services in a cost effective way
- Underpinning scientific discovery through modelling and simulation



# Public-Private Partnerships in H2020



*Horizon 2020 may be implemented through PPPs where all the partners concerned commit to support the **development and implementation of R&I activities of strategic importance to the Union.***

The Union enters a contractual agreement (cPPP) with private partners - commitment for the duration of Horizon 2020 programme

## ***cPPPs launched:***

- *Factories of the Future (FoF)*
- *Energy-efficient Buildings (EeB),*
- *European Green Vehicles Initiative (EGVI),*
- *Sustainable Process Industry (SPIRE),*
- *Advanced 5G network (5G)*
- *Robotics,*
- *Photonics*
- ***High Performance Computing (HPC): Public-Private Partnership with ETP4HPC (started 1st January 2014)***
- *Big Data Value Chain (January 2015)*



- To build a **European world-class HPC technology value chain that is globally competitive** - synergy between the three pillars of the HPC ecosystem (technology development, applications and computing infrastructure)
- To achieve a **critical mass** of convergent resources in order to increase the competitiveness of European HPC vendors and solutions
- To leverage the transformative power of HPC in order to **boost European competitiveness in science and business**
- To **expand the HPC user base**, especially SMEs, and to facilitate the participation of SMEs in the provision of competitive HPC technology solutions
- To develop a **EU leadership and world-wide excellence in key application domains for industry, science and society**
  - provision of innovative solutions for grand societal challenges
  - development of the future applications for the next exascale computing generation





# **Implementing the HPC strategy in Horizon 2020**



# An integrated HPC approach in H2020



- HPC strategy combining three elements:
  - (a) Computer Science: towards **exascale** HPC; *A special FET initiative focussing on the next generations of exascale computing as a key horizontal enabler for advanced modelling, simulation and big-data applications* [HPC in FET]
  - (b) achieving excellence in HPC **applications**; *Centres of Excellence for scientific/industrial HPC applications in (new) domains that are most important for Europe* [e-infrastructures]
  - (c) providing **access** to the best supercomputing facilities and services for both industry and academia; *PRACE - world-class HPC infrastructure for the best research* [e-infrastructures]
- complemented with training, education and skills development in HPC

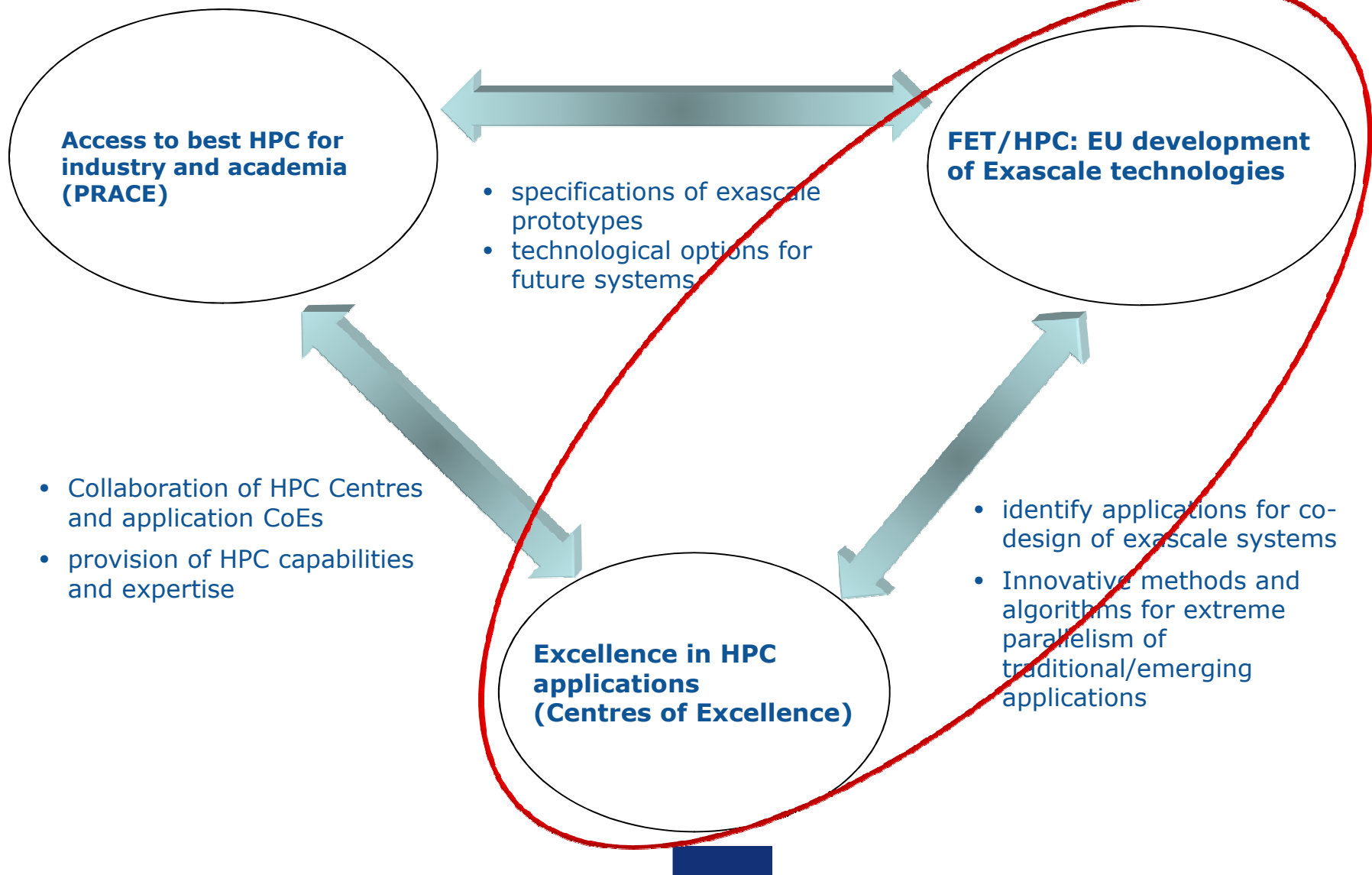


# Interrelation between the three elements



"Excellent Science"  
part of H2020

**Scope of the PPP**





# Looking ahead





# The market aspect



## IDC Top Trends in HPC (HPC = All Technical Servers)

***2013 declined overall – by \$800 million***

- ***For a total of \$10.3 billion***
- ***Mainly due to a few very large systems sales in 2012 that weren't repeated in 2013***
- ***Expecting growth in 2015 to 2018 – But 2014 is now looking weak***

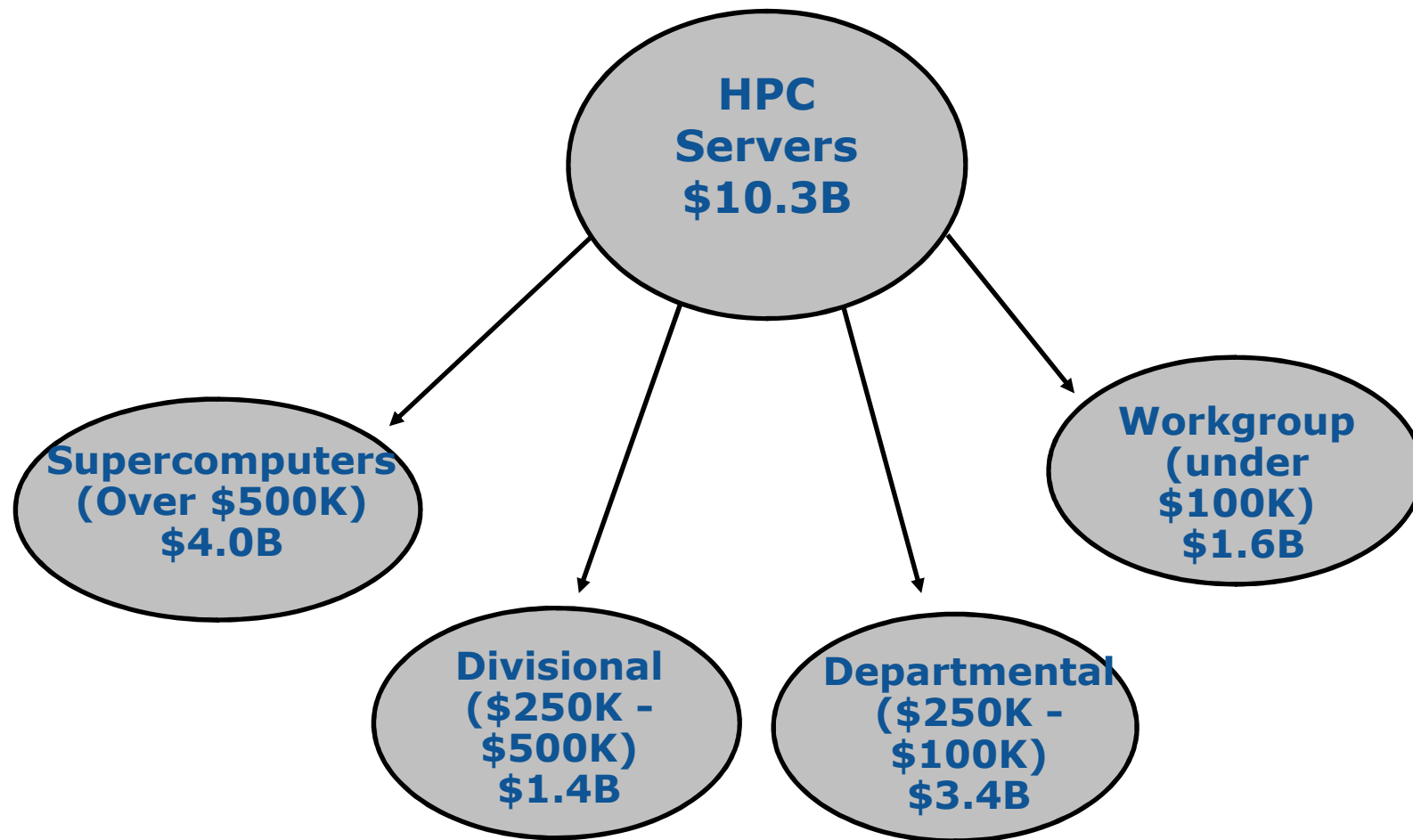
***Software issues continue to grow***

***The worldwide Petascale Race is at full speed***

***GPUs and accelerators are hot new technologies***

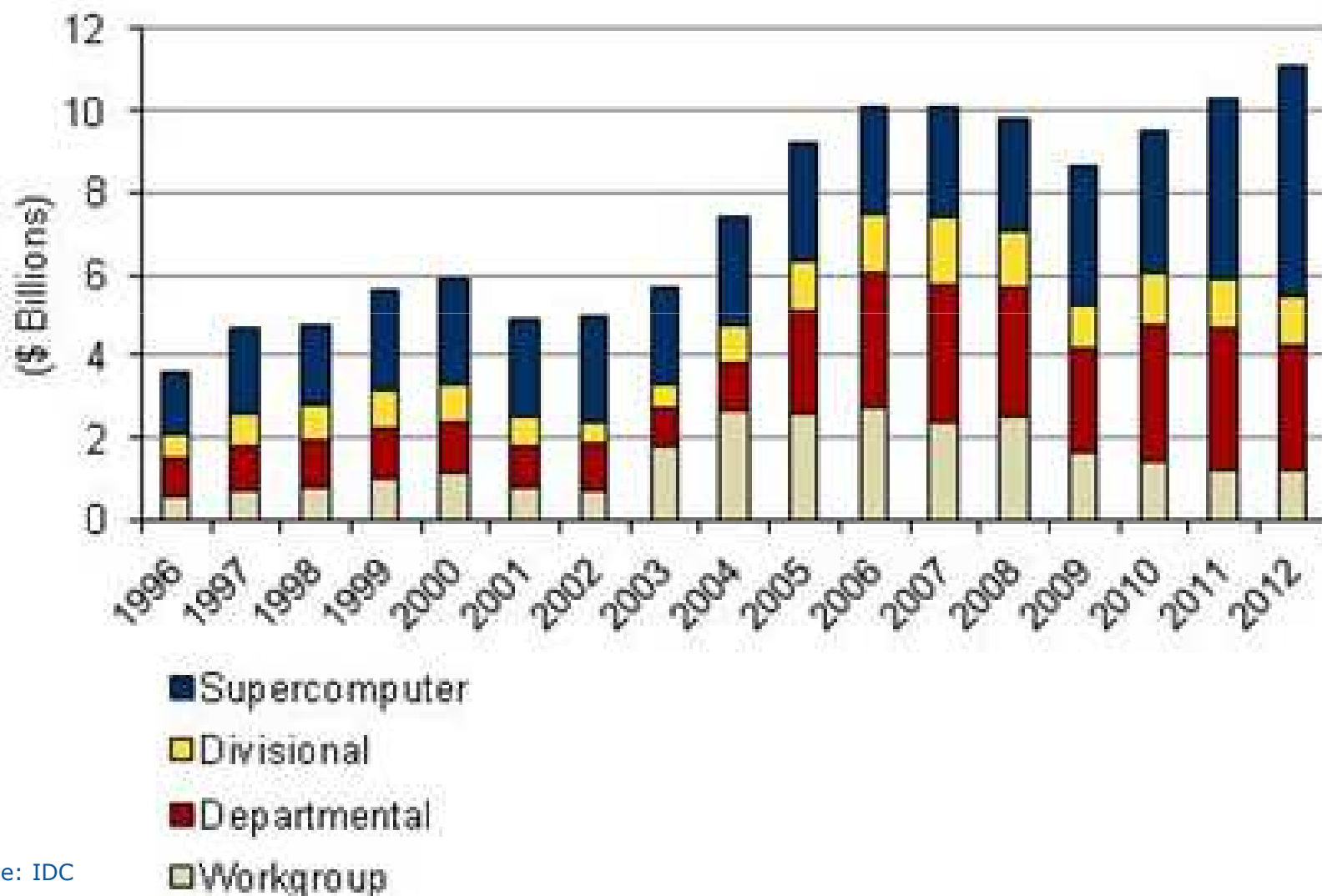
***Big data combined with HPC is creating new solutions in new areas***

# IDC HPC Competitive Segments: 2013





## IDC HPC Worldwide Technical Server Sales: 1996 to 2011



Source: IDC

# HPC Forecasts



*Forecasting a 7.4% yearly growth from 2013 to 2018  
2018 should reach \$14.7 billion*

Worldwide Total Technical Computer Market			
	2013	2018	CAGR 13-18
Supercomputer	3,994,740	5,661,830	7.2%
Divisional	1,355,097	1,845,090	6.4%
Departmental	3,363,263	4,657,390	6.7%
Workgroup	1,585,666	2,545,416	9.9%
Total	10,298,766	14,709,726	7.4%
Source: IDC 2014			

# The HPC servers Market By Region

HPC Server Sales By Region				
	2010	2011	2012	2013
North America	4,200,521	4,644,549	4,827,543	4,516,404
EMEA	3,027,000	3,209,455	3,327,475	3,101,954
Asia/Pacific w/o Japan	1,213,827	1,525,193	1,591,304	1,912,454
Japan	573,362	783,154	1,247,371	663,301
Rest-of-World	101,514	137,708	104,050	104,653
Total	9,116,225	10,300,058	11,097,743	10,298,766
Source: IDC 2014				

30% of world market

# The Broader HPC Market



Worldwide

<b>Revenues by the Broader HPC Market Areas</b>			
	2013	2018	CAGR 13-18
<b>Server</b>	10,298,766	14,709,726	7.4%
<b>Storage</b>	3,841,141	5,898,600	9.0%
<b>Middleware</b>	1,122,052	1,587,179	7.2%
<b>Applications</b>	3,305,216	4,854,210	8.0%
<b>Service</b>	1,690,499	2,235,878	5.8%
<b>Total Revenue</b>	20,257,674	29,285,594	7.6%
<b>Source: IDC 2014</b>			

# The Projected HPC Market In EMEA: Beyond The Base Servers



EMEA

Revenues by the Broader HPC Market Areas			
	2013	2018	CAGR 13-18
Server	3,101,954	4,433,856	7.4%
Storage	1,164,773	1,727,754	8.2%
Middleware	355,157	488,013	6.6%
Applications	1,039,935	1,419,563	6.4%
Service	550,568	669,118	4.0%
Total Revenue	6,212,388	8,738,305	7.1%
Source: IDC 2014			



# The Projected HPC Market In EMEA: By Industry/Application Areas



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HPC Industry/Application Segments for EMEA			
	2013	2018	CAGR 13-18
Bio-Sciences	343,563	450,944	5.6%
CAE	405,305	605,833	8.4%
Chemical Engineering	11,294	16,346	7.7%
DCC & Distribution	11,152	15,851	7.3%
Economics/Financial	71,038	101,238	7.3%
EDA	99,385	142,919	7.5%
Geosciences	305,308	436,059	7.4%
Mechanical Design	4,180	3,787	-2.0%
Defense	296,584	416,102	7.0%
Government Lab	829,111	1,207,690	7.8%
University/Academic	584,618	839,067	7.5%
Weather	86,456	127,694	8.1%
Other	53,961	70,325	5.4%
EMEA Total	3,101,954	4,433,856	7.4%
Source: IDC 2014	-	-	





# The Projected HPC Market In EMEA: By Industry/Application Areas



HPC Industry/Application Segments for EMEA		
Application	2013	2018
Bio-Sciences	11.1%	10.2%
CAE	13.1%	13.7%
Chemical Engineering	0.4%	0.4%
DCC & Distribution	0.4%	0.4%
Economics/Financial	2.3%	2.3%
EDA	3.2%	3.2%
Geosciences	9.8%	9.8%
Mechanical Design	0.1%	0.1%
Defense	9.6%	9.4%
Government Lab	26.7%	27.2%
University/Academic	18.8%	18.9%
Weather	2.8%	2.9%
Other	1.7%	1.6%
Total	100%	100%
Source: IDC 2014		



# Preliminary forecasts



***HPC is still expected to be a strong growth market***

- Growing recognition of HPC's strategic value is helping to drive high-end sales
- Low-end buyers are back into a growth mode

***HPC vendor market share positions will likely shifted greatly in 2014 and 2015***

***Recognition of HPC's strategic/economic value will drive the exascale race, with 100PF systems in 2H 2014/2015***

- 20/30MW exascale systems will wait till 2022-2024

***The formative HPDA market will expand opportunities for vendors***

# Preliminary forecasts



## ***Software is the #1 roadblock***

- **Better management software is needed**
- **Parallel software is lacking for most users**

Many applications will need a major redesign

## ***Clusters are still hard to use and manage***

- **System management & growing cluster complexity**
- **Power, cooling and floor space are major issues**
- **Third party software costs**
- **Storage and data management are becoming new bottle necks**
- **Lack of support for heterogeneous environment and accelerators**

**ROI is becoming a requirement, especially as system costs escalate**

**... Some good news in that there are new technologies in Big data, accelerators, clouds, etc.**



## Headline research challenges towards exascale (FETHPC)

- **Co-design** of HPC systems and applications
- **Exascale transition** of the whole compute stack (system software, tools, programming, mathematics, algorithms, applications)
- Extreme Computing with **Extreme Data**
- Exascale **Ecosystem Development**
- International collaboration





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# Thank you for your attention!

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