



# JUPITER - FROM LAUNCH TO LANDING

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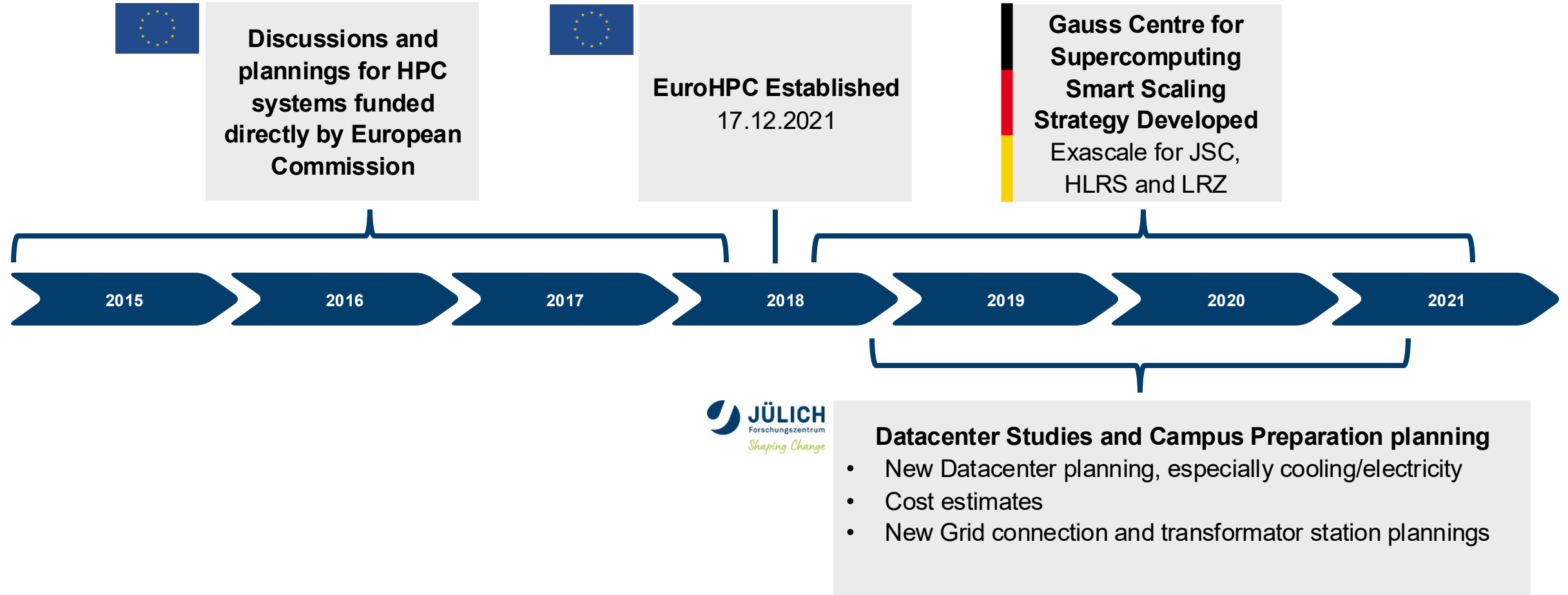
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**BECOMING A HOSTING ENTITY  
AND PROCURING JUPITER**

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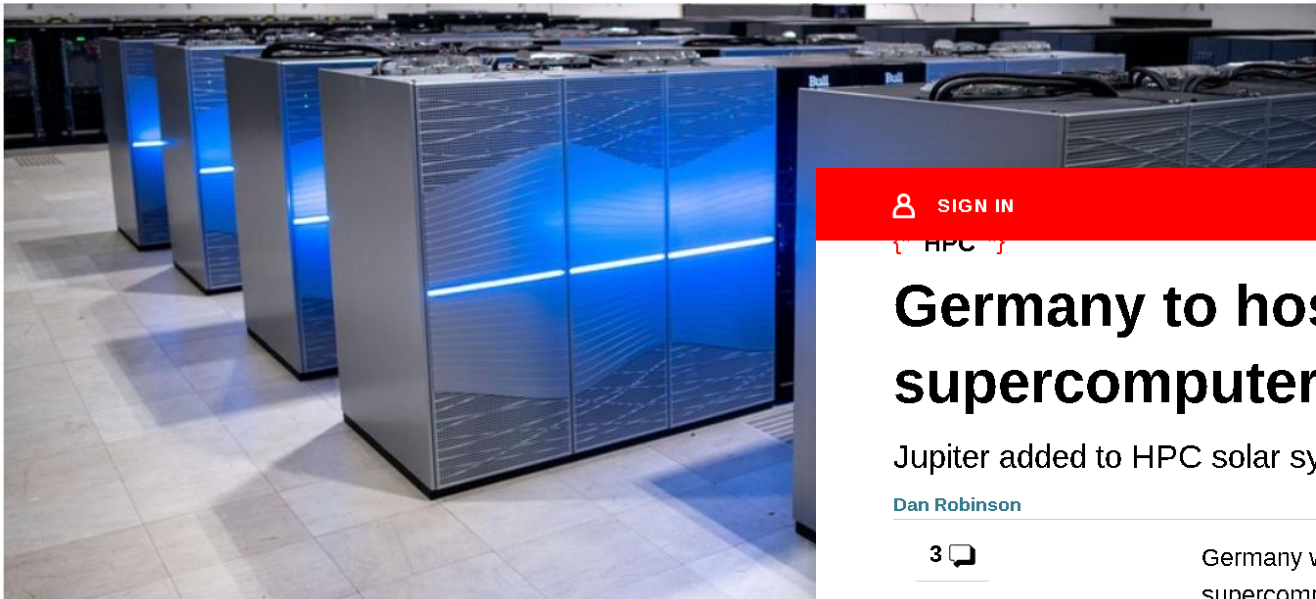
# JUPITER – HOSTING ENTITY DECISION

15.06.2022



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Startseite ► Wirtschaft ► Technologie ► Hochleistungs-Rechner: Supercomputer "Jupiter" kommt nach Jülich



Hochleistungs-Rechner

## Supercomputer "Jupiter" k

Stand: 15.06.2022 16:43 Uhr

Das Forschungszentrum Jülich wird Standort für Europas ersten Exascale-Computers. "Jupiter" soll die Schallmauer der Rechenoperationen in der Sekunde durchbrechen.

SPIEGEL Netzwelt

»Jupiter«

## Jülich bekommt Europas ersten Exascale-Supercomputer

Das Forschungszentrum Jülich bekommt für eine halbe Milliarde Euro einen neuen Vorzeigerechner. Er soll helfen, Fragen zum Klimawandel zu beantworten – mit mehr als einer Trillion Rechenoperationen pro Sekunde.

15.06.2022, 16:52 Uhr

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## Germany to host Europe's first exascale supercomputer

Jupiter added to HPC solar system

Dan Robinson

Thu 16 Jun 2022 // 07:33 UTC

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Germany will be the host of the first publicly known European exascale supercomputer, along with four other EU sites getting smaller but still powerful systems, the European High Performance Computing Joint Undertaking (EuroHPC JU) announced this week.

Germany **will be** the home of Jupiter, the "Joint Undertaking Pioneer for Innovative and Transformative Exascale Research." It should be switched on next year in a specially designed building on the campus of the **Forschungszentrum Jülich research centre** and operated by the Jülich Supercomputing Centre (JSC), alongside the existing Juwels and **Jureca** supercomputers.

# LAYING THE FOUNDATION FOR TAKEOFF (2022)

- Numerous calls/meetings/discussions
- Datacenter to Modular HPC Datacenter decision
- Preparation of the Descriptive Document to start procurement

June

July

August

September

October

November

December

**Hosting Entity  
Decision**  
15.06.2022

**Hosting Agreement**  
14.12.2022



# PREPARING FOR LAUNCH

- Mission planning
  - Preparing descriptions, conditions, requirements, evaluation
  - Regular meetings
  - Started already early in year
  - Location: **Earth**
- Target: **JUPITER**
  - Booster
  - Cluster
  - Storage
  - (Machine Hall)



Ready for take off





16. Jan 2023: Publish Call (Descriptive Document)

17. Feb 2023: Deadline for Request for Participation

22. Feb - 17. Mar 2023: Evaluation, Notification

4. Apr 2023: First Dialogue

3.-5. May 2023: Second Dialogue

1. June 2023: Invitation to Tender

3. July 2023: Deadline for final Tender

3.-7. July 2023: Evaluation by Technical Experts

until 20. Aug 2023: Governing Board Decision

23. Aug 2023:  
Notification to Tenderers

12. Sep - 02. Oct 2023:  
Contract Negotiations

3. Oct 2023:  
Contract Signature



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EU Grabs ARM for First ExaFLOP Supercomputer, x86 Misses Out

By Agam Shah

October 4, 2023

The configuration of Europe's first exascale supercomputer, Jupiter, has been finalized, and it is a win for Nvidia and a disappointment for x86 chip vendors Intel and AMD. The Jupiter supercomputer, which will cost €273 million to build, will pair SiPearl's Rhea processor, which is based on ARM architecture, with accelerator technology from Nvidia.

The supercomputer is being built by the European High-Performance Computing Joint Undertaking (EuroHPC JU) and a consortium including Eviden and ParTec. Eviden is an Atos business focusing on advanced computing initiatives that include HPC and AI.

The Jülich Supercomputing Center in Germany, which has played host to many supercomputers since it was founded in 1987, was chosen to host the first of three European exascale-class supercomputers to be funded through the EuroHPC Joint Undertaking and through the European national and state governments countries who are essentially paying to make sure these HPC and AI clusters are where they want them. With Germany having the largest economy in Europe and being a heavy user of HPC thanks to its manufacturing focus, Jülich was the obvious place to park the first machine in Europe to break the exaflops barrier.

That is a big disappointment for Intel and AMD, which have invested €33 billion to build development initiatives, and are leaders in a bid to get their own exascale system, with installation due to start in early 2024.

Jülich's fastest system, JUPITER, was announced in November 2021 and is expected to be the third-rarest performance of 309 petaflops.

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PacBio Announces Complete Computational Workflow for Human Whole Genome Sequencing Data Analysis

SiFive Announces Differentiated Solutions for Generative AI and ML Applications

EQTC 2023: Europe's Quantum Sector to Showcase Successes and Its Roadmap for Global Leadership

EuroHPC JU Announces Procurement Call for Upgrading Discoverer Supercomputer

Los Alamos Partners with AirMettle for Efficient In-Storage Data Analysis

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Research Base: Computational Exascale European at

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DETAILS EMERGE ON EUROPE'S FIRST EXASCALE SUPERCOMPUTER

October 5, 2023 Timothy Prickett Morgan

me details are emerging on Europe's first exascale system, codenamed "Jupiter" and to be installed at the Jülich Supercomputing Center in Germany in 2024. There has been a lot of speculation about what Jupiter will include for its compute engines and networking and who will build and maintain the system. We now know some of this and can infer some more from the statements that were made by the organizations participating in the Jupiter effort.

June 2022, the Forschungszentrum Jülich in Germany, which has played host to many supercomputers since it was founded in 1987, was chosen to host the first of three European exascale-class supercomputers to be funded through the EuroHPC Joint Undertaking and through the European national and state governments countries who are essentially paying to make sure these HPC and AI clusters are where they want them. With Germany having the largest economy in Europe and being a heavy user of HPC thanks to its manufacturing focus, Jülich was the obvious place to park the first machine in Europe to break the exaflops barrier.

That barrier is as much an economic one as it is a technical one. The six-year budget for Jupiter weighs in at €300 million, which is around \$526.1 million at current exchange rates between the US dollar and the European euro. That is in the same ballpark price as what the "Frontier" exascale machine at Oak Ridge National Laboratory and the "El Capitan" machine that is being installed right now at Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory – both of which are based on a combination of AMD CPUs and GPUs and Hewlett Packard Enterprise's Slingshot variant of Ethernet with HPE as the prime contractor.

Everybody knows that Jupiter was going to use SiPearl's first generation Arm processor based on the reverse "Zeus" V1 core from Arm Ltd, which is codenamed "Rhea" by SiPearl and which is appropriate



# JUPITER ARCHITECTURE

# JUPITER MODULES

## JUPITER Booster (~1ExaFLOP/s)

- ~125 Racks BullSequana XH3000
- Node design
  - ~6000 nodes, 4× NVIDIA CG1 per node
- CG1: NVIDIA Grace-Hopper
  - 72 Arm Neoverse V2 cores (4×128b SVE2); 120 GB LPDDR5
  - H100 (132 SMs); 96 GB HBM3
  - NVLink C2C (900 GB/s)



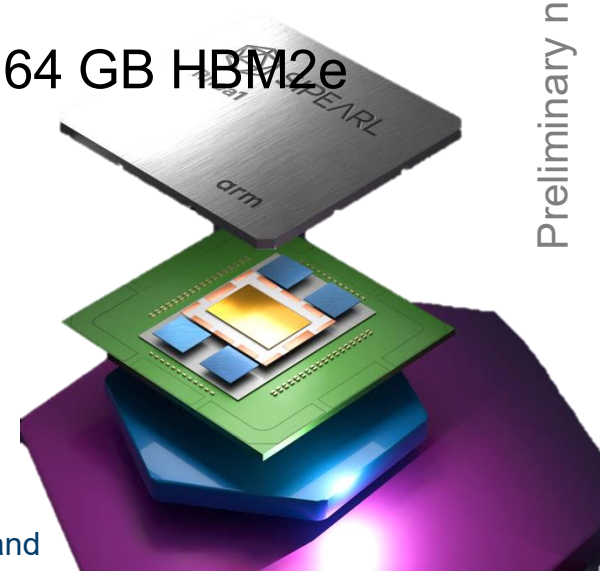
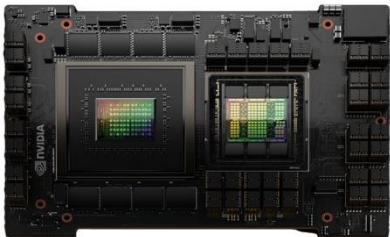
## JUPITER Cluster

- ~15 Racks BullSequana XH3000
- Node design
  - ~1300 nodes
  - 2× SiPearl Rhea1 per node
- Rhea1
  - 80 Arm Neoverse V1 cores (2×256b SVE)
  - 256 GB DDR5, 64 GB HBM2e

**ExaFLASH:** 29PB (raw) NVMe, IBM SSS6000

**ExaSTORE:** 308PB (raw) HDD\*, IBM SSS6000

**ExaTAPE:** 370PB Tape\*, LTO9



Preliminary numbers, might change during installation

# JUPITER BOOSTER BLADE OVERVIEW



# JUPITER – BOOSTER COMPUTE NODE ARCHITECTURE

- 4× NVIDIA Grace-Hopper in SXM5 Board (4× 680W)

Node Specs

- 4× NVIDIA InfiniBand NDR200
- 480 GB LPDDR5X / 360 GB HBM3 (usable)
- NVLink 4
  - GPU-GPU 150 GB/s per dir, CPU-GPU 450 GB/s per dir, CPU-CPU 100 GB/s per dir
- CG4 Motherboard (4× CG1 GH module + 4× CX7 HCA assembly)
- All NVIDIA, except the BMC

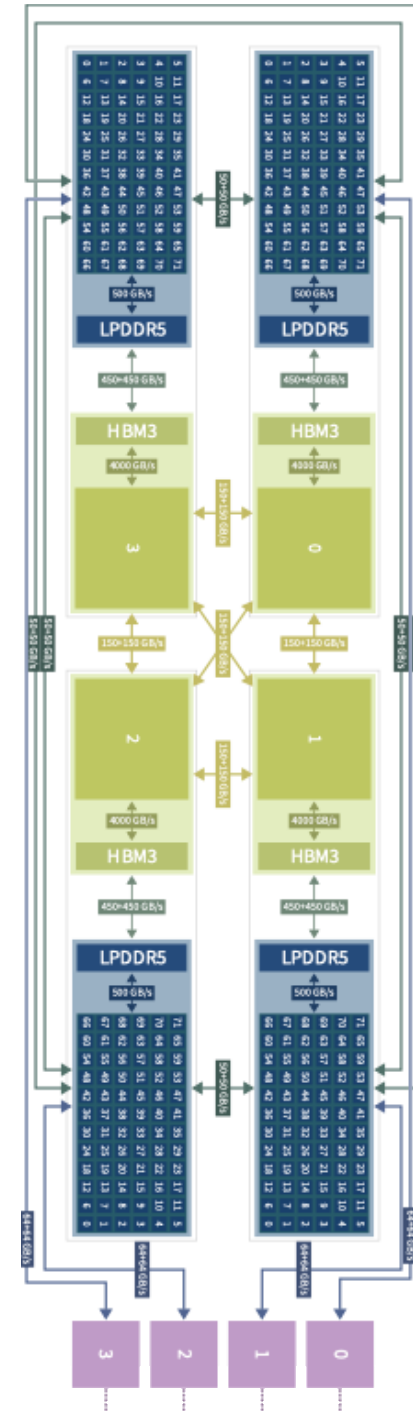
- ARM Neoverse V2 CPU Specs

- SVE2/NEON (4x 128 bit vector op)
- 72 cores @ ~2.4GHz (~3.2 GHz turbo)
- 120 GB LPDDR5X (8 channels)
  - ≥450 GB/s
  - ~150 ns latency

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- H100 GPU Specs

- 47.5 TFLOP/s (HPL Rmax single GPU)
- 90 GB HBM3
  - ≥3600 GB/s
  - ~450 ns latency

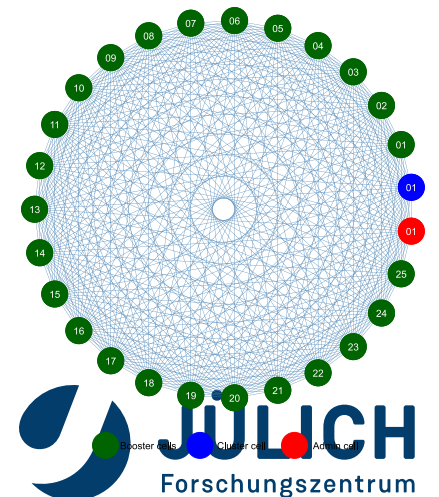
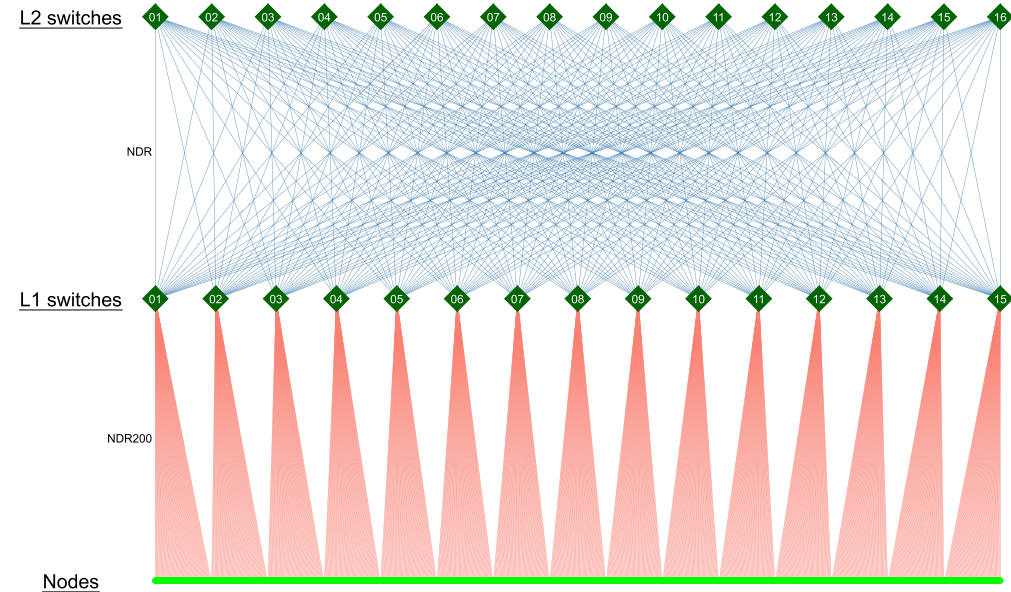


# JUPITER – INTERCONNECT

One Network to Rule Them All

- NVIDIA Mellanox InfiniBand **NDR/NDR200**
  - NVIDIA Quantum-2 switches
  - NVIDIA Connect-X7 HCAs
- Dragonfly+ topology
  - **27 Dragonfly groups**
  - Within each group: full fat tree
- 51000 links, 102000 logical ports, 25400 endpoints, **867 switches**
- Adaptive Routing
- In-network processing on switch level (SHARPV3), tentatively

**EVIDEN**  
an atos business



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# SYSTEM MANAGEMENT

# JUPITER MANAGEMENT STACK

## 3 main pillars/actors



### SMC xScale

Core part of the stack.  
Vast majority of  
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here.

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# JUPITER MANAGEMENT STACK – KEY AREAS



	Technology	Challenges		Provider
Operating System	Linux	Security Stability	Performance HW support	
Management Storage	Ceph	Multi-use Performance	Scalable	
Management Plane	Kubernetes	Scalable Flexible	0 downtime Open	 kubernetes
Configuration Management	Ansible	Standard	Easy to extend Open	
Boot Image(s) Management	ImageBuilder	ARM / x86 support	Tracking Integration	
Container(s)	UBI <small>Universal Binary Images</small>	Standard Consistency	Security	

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	Technology	Challenges	Provider
Resource Manager	Slurm	Scalable API Known	  The Slurm Company PSLURM
Parallel Storage	Storage Scale System (GPFS)	Performance Scalable Data security	
MPI Runtime	Message Passing Interface	Stable Performance GPU-support Bug-free	 
GPU Support	CUDA      HPC SDK	Memory management Performance Integration	 
Monitoring & Logging	Prometheus + Thanos Syslog + Fluentd	Usable Scalable Handle data storm	   Prometheus      Thanos      fluentd
Reference Database	Data Center Information Management	Automation API Coherent	

# THE PREPARATION PHASE

# 2023/2024 - PREPARING CAMPUS, SLAB, STORAGE, JEDI

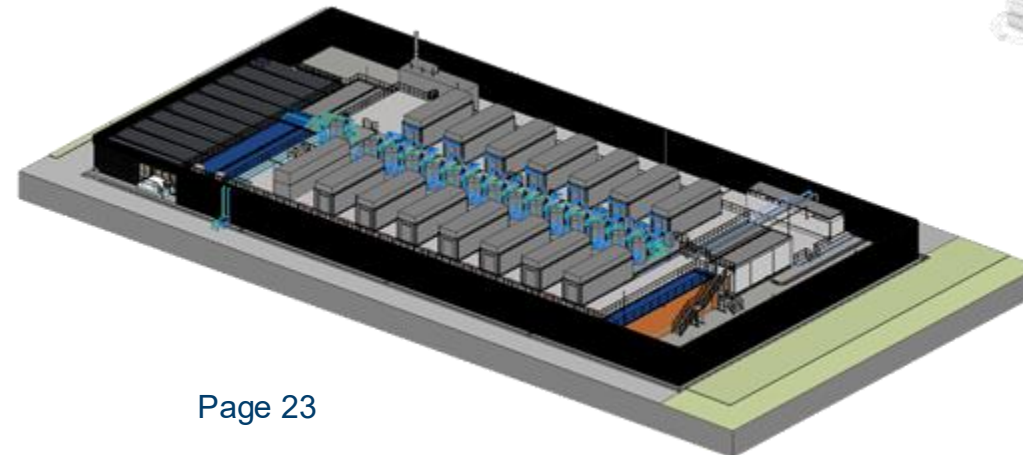
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# MODULAR DATA CENTER FOR JUPITER

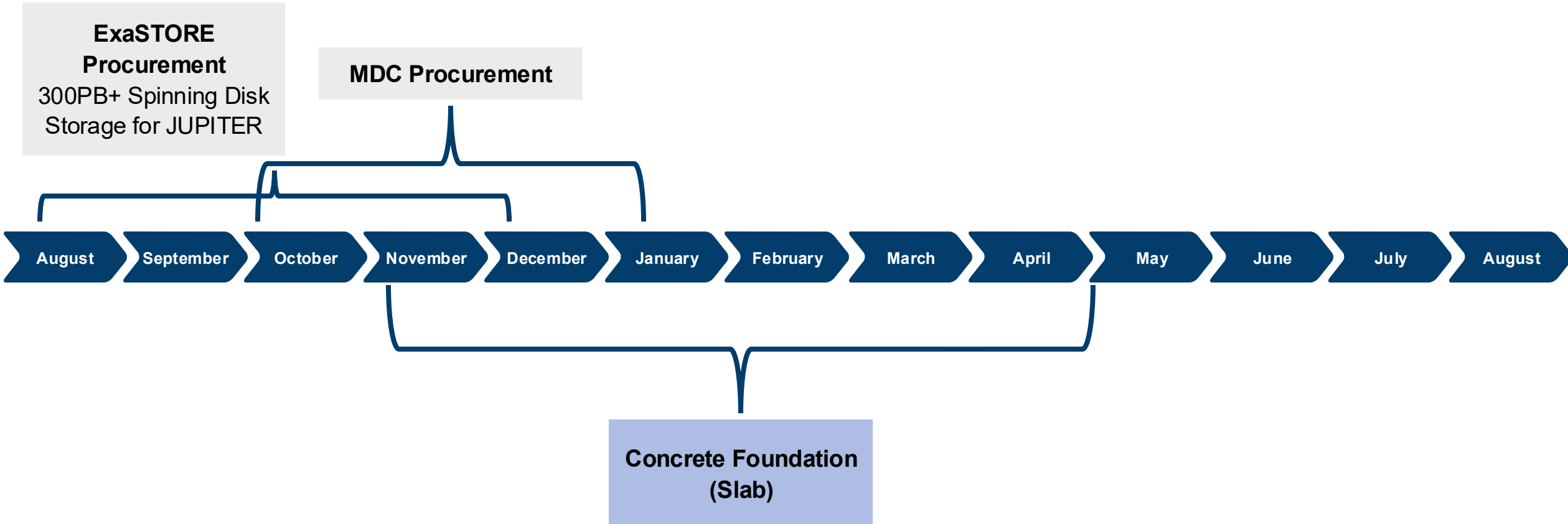
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- Vendor: Eviden
- Area: ~2300m<sup>2</sup>
- 1x Datahall (Storage, Management)
- 7x IT Modules (20 Racks per module)
- UPS, Generator
- Entrance area
- Workshop, Warehouse
- 15x 2,5 Megawatt Power Stations



# 2023/2024 - PREPARING CAMPUS, SLAB, STORAGE, JEDI

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# CONCRETE FOUNDATION



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Construction of concrete slab 85 m x 42 m x 0.5 m





**Backup Cold Water Cooling: 1MW**

**Network:  
3,2 Tbit/s**

**Power (Campus): 2\*60-80 MVA**

**Water (River Rur): up to 30 cbm/h**

April 2025

**JUWELS Booster:**

- 3744 NVIDIA A100 GPUs
  - 44 PetaFLOP/s HPL
- 2,4 MW Peak, 1,1MW Average
- Direct-Liquid-Cooling
  - 36°in, 42-44°out
  - free cooling
  - heat-reuse

Power (Datacenter): 15\*2,5MVA

14 Free Cooling Towers, 1 Chiller

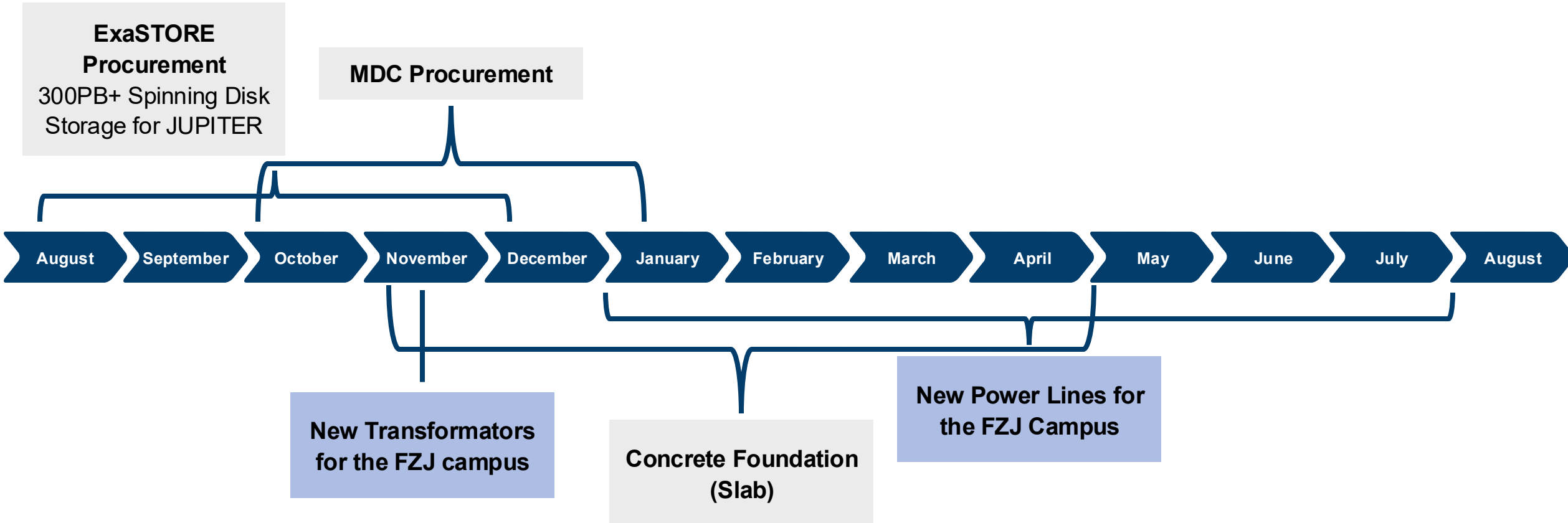
**JUPITER Booster:**

- ~24000 NVIDIA H100 GPUs
  - 1 ExaFLOP/s HPL
- 17 MW Peak, 9-11MW Average
- Direct-Liquid-Cooling
  - 36°in, 42-44°out
  - free cooling
  - heat-reuse
- Up to 30 cbm/h river water
  - !!!Worst-case!!!
  - Only on very-hot summer days



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# POWER TRANSFORMER SUBSTATION AND LINES

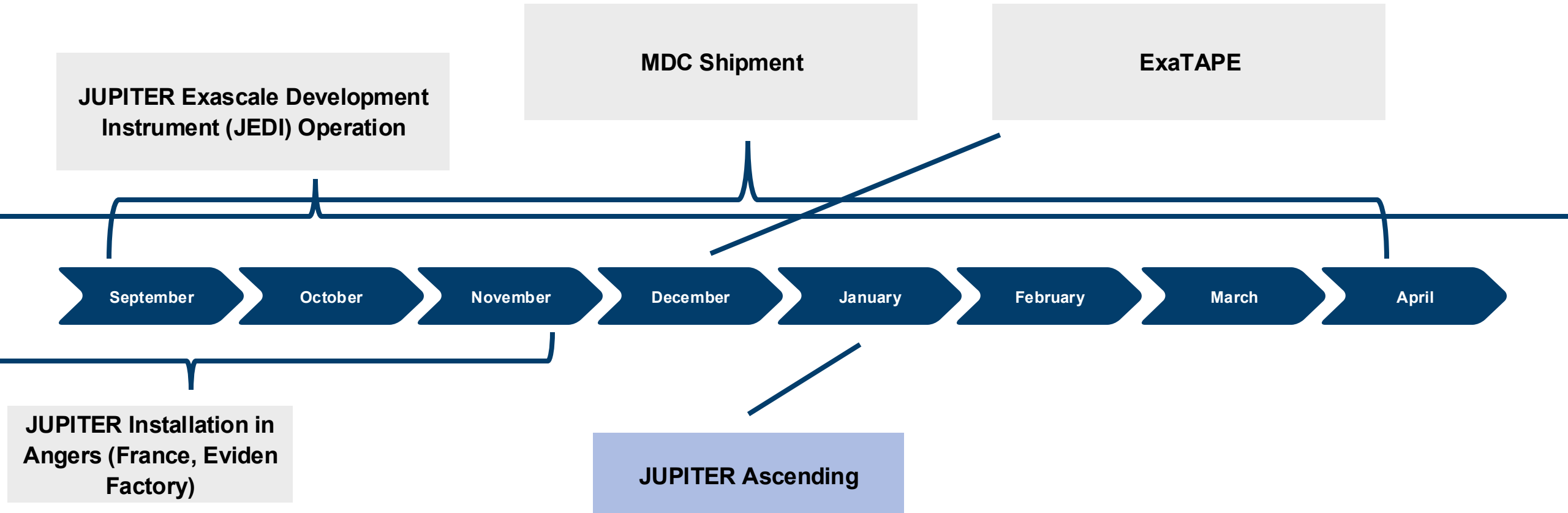
Upgrade of transformers 110 kV / 35 kV from 2 x 40 MVA to 2 x 60-80 MVA and upgrade 110kV power line



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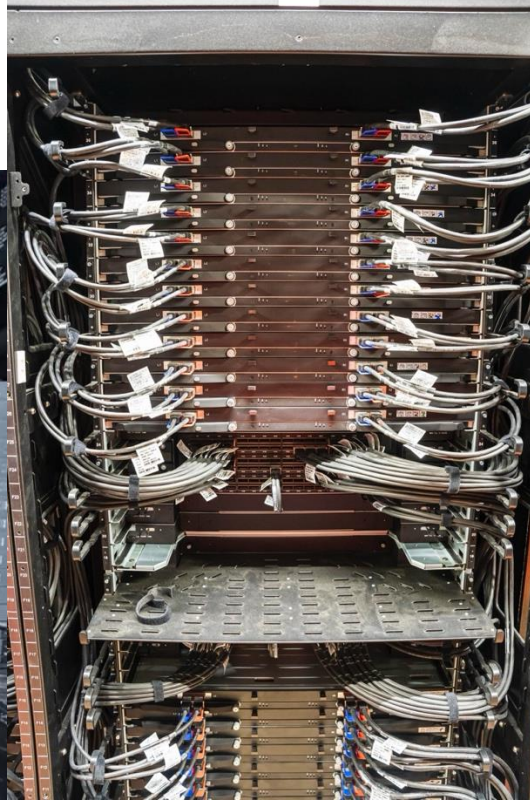
# 2024/2025 - MDC AND JUPITER INSTALLATION

Always in motion is the future...



# JUPITER ASCENDING

Since January 2025





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# The JUPITER AI Factory (JAIF)



Fraunhofer



hessian.AI

Associated  
partners:

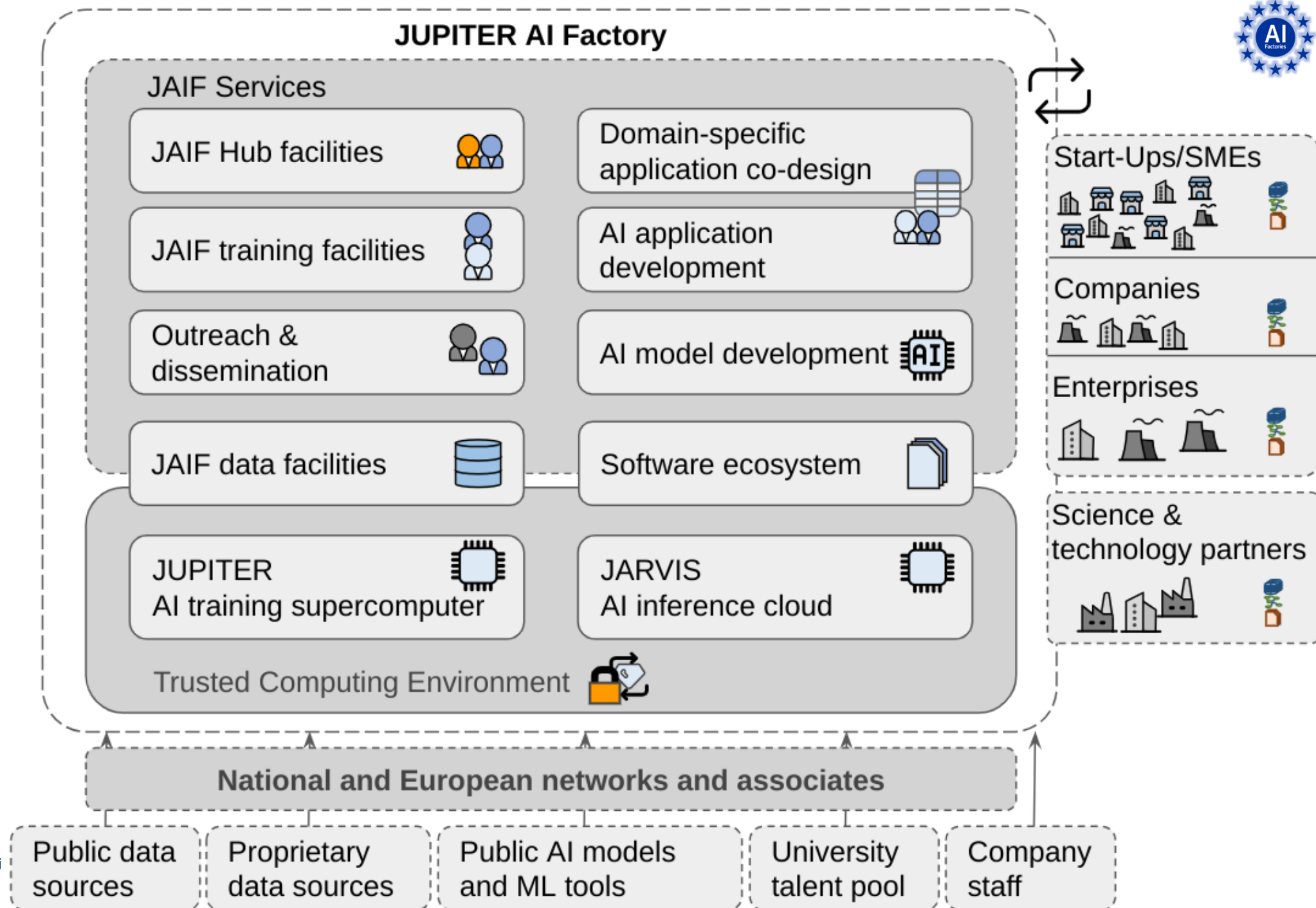


**WEST AI**  
KI-Servicezentrum

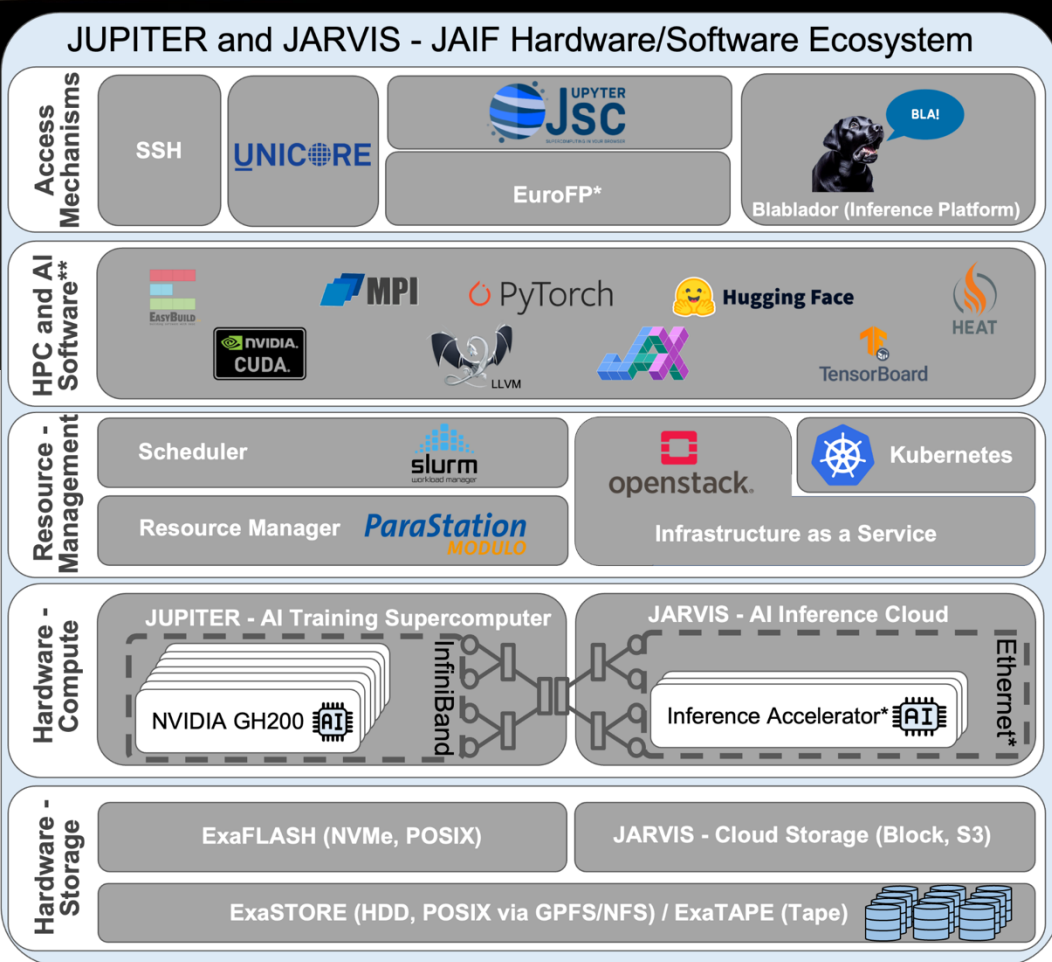


**KI BUNDESVERBAND**

# THE JAIF ONE STOP SHOP

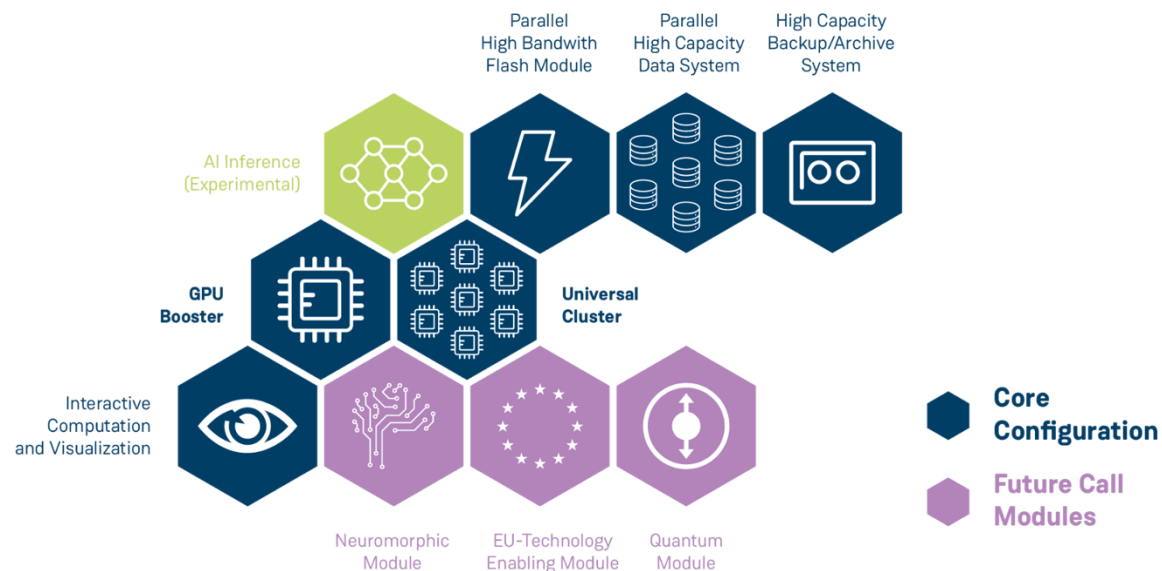


# Modular JUPITER Hybrid Training/Inference AI System

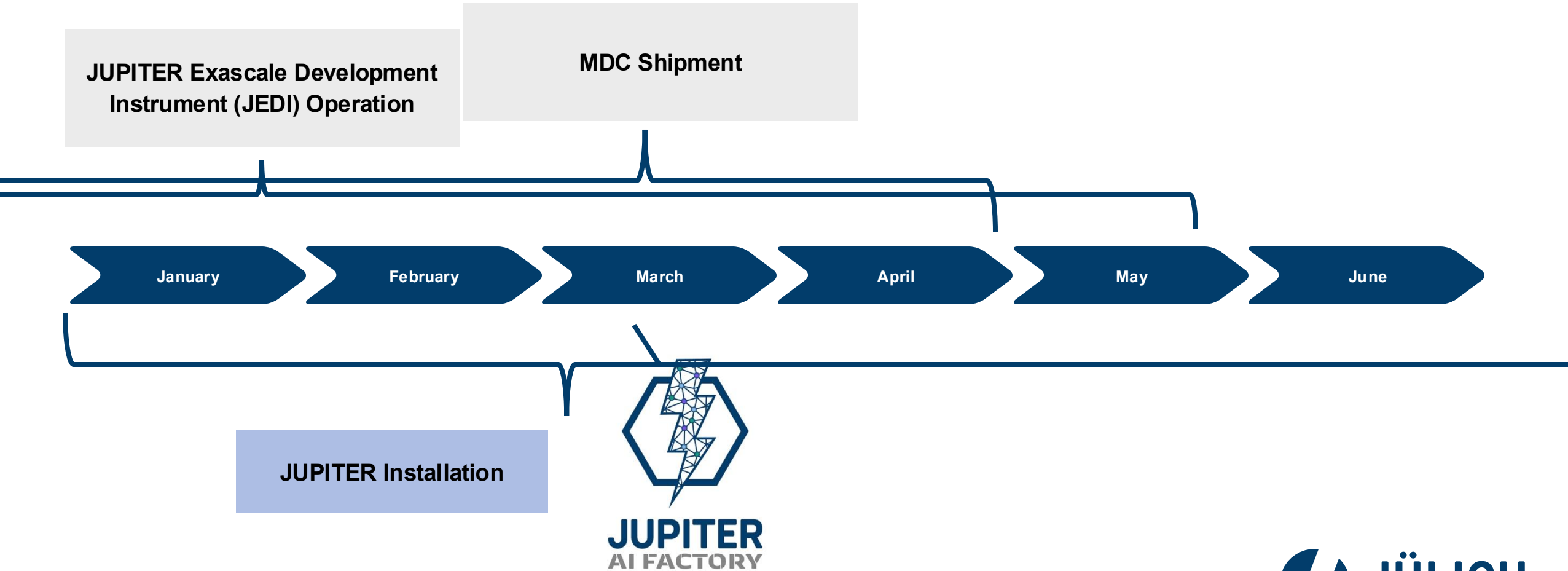


\*Depending on procurements and available functionality

\*\*This is a subset of the available software



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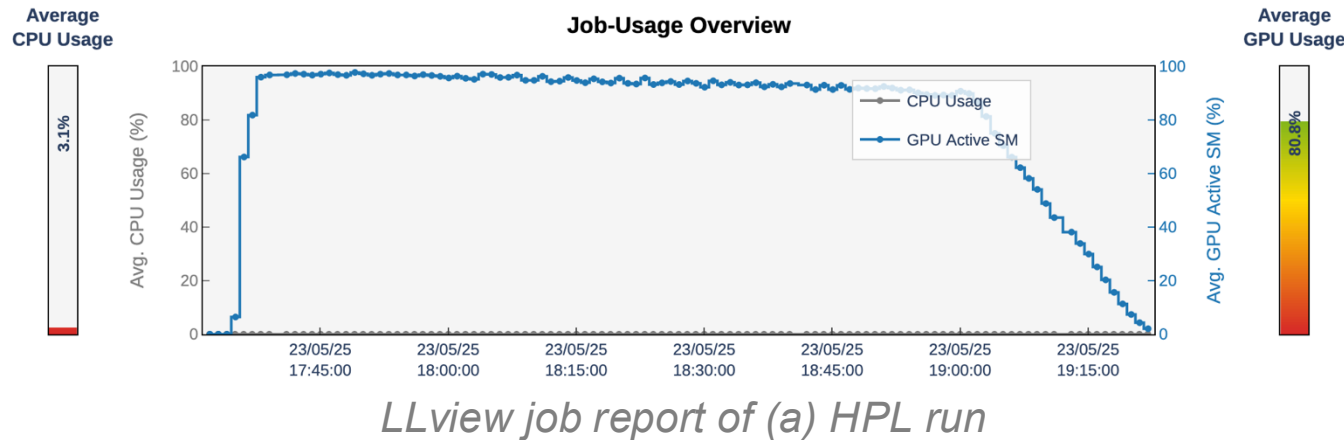




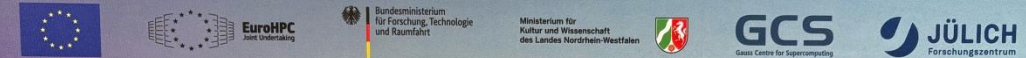


# TOP500

- Entry to TOP500 June 2025 as #4 world, #1 EU
- 793 PFLOP/s HPL of 930 PFLOP/s th. peak
- Achieved with 4650 nodes




## JOINING FORCES

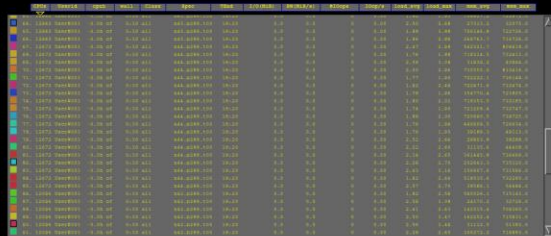
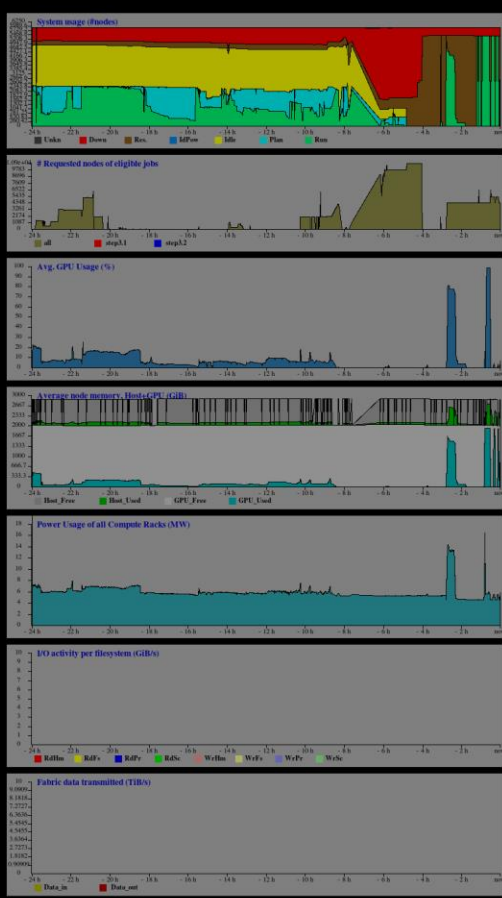


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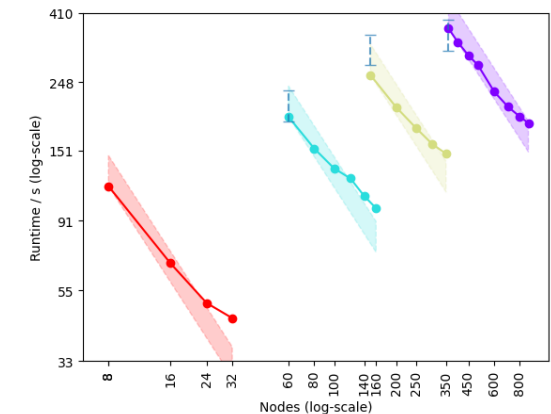
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# POPULATING JUPITER

## Current Status and Next Steps

- JUPITER Research and Early Access Phase ongoing
  - > 100 Applications, 33 Lighthouses
- GCS AI Competition access started
- (Acceptance) Benchmarking running
  - TCO Application mix, High-Scaling
  - Storage Acceptance
- High-Performance Linpack
  - ... otherwise it would be too easy
- **JUPITER Inauguration on 5.9.2025**
- Autumn/winter: EuroHPC/GCS calls



# QUESTIONS?!



# JOINING FORCES



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Ministerium für  
Kultur und Wissenschaft  
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**EVIDEN**



**IBM**

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# JUPITER – STORAGE (SCRATCH)



- Gross Capacity: 29 PB; Net Capacity: 21 PB
- Bandwidth: 2.1 TB/s Write, 3.1 TB/s Read
- 20× IBM SSS6000 Building Blocks (40 servers)
  - 2× NDR400 per server
  - 48× 30 TB NVMe drives per block
  - IBM Storage Scale (aka Spectrum Scale/GPFS)
- Manager and Datamover Nodes
- Exclusive for JUPITER
  - Integrated into InfiniBand fabric



# JUPITER – STORAGE (EXASTORE)

TCO contribution from JSC, not part of the JUPITER procurement



- Gross Capacity: 308 PB; Net Capacity: 210 PB
- Bandwidth: 1.1 TB/s Write, 1.4 TB/s Read
- 22× IBM SSS6000 Building Blocks (44 servers)
  - 2× NDR200 per server
  - 7× JBOD enclosures, each with 91x 22 TB Spinning Disks per Building Block (14014 disks)
  - IBM Storage Scale (aka Spectrum Scale/GPFS)
- Manager and Datamover Nodes
- Exclusive for JUPITER
  - Integrated into InfiniBand fabric



# JUPITER – STORAGE (EXATAPE)

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DATENSYSTEME



TCO contribution from JSC, not part of the JUPITER procurement

- 369 Petabyte Tape Capacity
- Procurement Q3/Q4 2024, 2M€ Invest
- 2 x IBM TS4500 with LTO9
- TS1 in 16.4
  - 11 Frames
  - 15x LTO 9 tape drives
  - 10240 LTO9 media
- TS2 in 16.3
  - 11 Frames
  - 15x LTO9 tape drives
  - 10260 LTO9 media

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