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**HPC Advisory Council and Swiss Supercomputing Centre Announce  
Switzerland Conference 2012**

*Sponsorship Opportunities Now Available*

**SUNNYVALE, CA. and LUGANO, SWITZERLAND – Dec. 12, 2011** – The HPC Advisory Council, a leading organization for high-performance computing research, outreach and education, and the Swiss Supercomputing Centre, will host the [HPC Advisory Council Switzerland Conference 2012](#) in the Lugano Convention Centre, Lugano, Switzerland, from March 13-15, 2012. The conference will focus on High-Performance Computing (HPC) education, hands-on and classroom training and overviews of new important HPC developments and trends.

The conference will include comprehensive education for topics such as high-speed interconnects, high-performance and parallel I/O, communication libraries (such as MPI, SHMEM and PGAS), GPU and accelerations, Big Data, high-performance cloud computing, and will include advanced topics and development for upcoming HPC technologies. In addition, attendees will receive hands-on training for topics on clustering, network, troubleshooting, tuning, and optimizations.

“Continuing our successful international conference programs, the HPC Advisory Council Switzerland Conference is expected to uphold our tradition of providing rich educational content, taught from some of the industry’s most recognized luminaries and scientists, that will help HPC users optimize their HPC systems and experience,” said Gilad Shainer, chairman of the HPC Advisory Council. “We are pleased to collaborate

again with the Swiss National Supercomputing Centre for this upcoming hands-on technical training and education conference, and will continue to assist and provide resources for industry and community organizations to better leverage HPC system capabilities and improve productivity and efficiency.”

“The Swiss National Supercomputing Centre is delighted to continue our collaboration with the HPC Advisory Council,” said Hussein Nasser El-Harake at the Swiss National Supercomputing Centre who serves as the Director of the HPC Advisory Council Center of Excellence in Switzerland. “The council continues to be a cornerstone for HPC outreach and education and we are looking forward to providing attendees a very rich and engaging training program that enhances their usage of HPC technologies and platforms.”

For the [complete agenda and schedule](#), please refer to the [conference website](#). The 3-day conference is CHF 80.00. [Registration](#) is required and can be made at the HPC Advisory Council Switzerland Conference registration page.

[Sponsorship opportunities](#) are available today and provide exceptional "budget-conscious" awareness opportunities. Media sponsorship and coverage is being provided by HPC-CH, insideHPC and Scientific Computing World.

### **Supporting Resources:**

- [HPC Advisory Council Switzerland Conference Website](#)
- [HPC Advisory Council Switzerland Conference Registration](#)
- [Preliminary HPC Advisory Council Conference Agenda](#)
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### **About the HPC Advisory Council**

The HPC Advisory Council’s mission is to bridge the gap between high-performance computing (HPC) use and its potential, bring the beneficial capabilities of HPC to new users for better research, education, innovation and product manufacturing, bring users the expertise needed to operate HPC systems, provide application designers with the tools needed to enable parallel computing, and to strengthen the qualification and integration

of HPC system products. For more information about the HPC Advisory Council, please visit [www.hpcadvisorycouncil.com](http://www.hpcadvisorycouncil.com).

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