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## **HPC Advisory Council Forms Worldwide Centers of Excellence**

*Worldwide Centers to Extend HPC Research, Outreach and Education into Local Regions*

**SUNNYVALE, CA. and LUGANO, SWITZERLAND – Aug. 17, 2010** – The HPC Advisory Council, a leading worldwide organization for high-performance computing research, development, outreach and education, today announced the formation of its regional Centers of Excellence, broadening the scope and mission of the Council’s programs throughout the world. The HPC Advisory Council Centers of Excellence will provide local support for the HPC Advisory Council’s programs, local workshops and conferences, as well as host local computing centers that can be used to extend such activities.

“One of the HPC Advisory Council’s main activities is community and education outreach, in particular, through enhancing the HPC knowledge-base around the world and exploring future solutions,” said Gilad Shainer, chairman of the HPC Advisory Council. “The HPC Advisory Council Centers of Excellence are located worldwide and will extend the activities of the council into local areas and focus on the regional needs for furthering our HPC outreach activities.”

“We are pleased to be named as one the inaugural HPC Advisory Council’s Centers of Excellence, covering HPC research, outreach and educational activities within Europe,” 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. “As part of the HPC Advisory Council’s Center of Excellence, we look forward to advancing awareness of the beneficial capabilities of HPC to new users.”

The HPC Advisory Council also operates computing centers to support development, research, optimizations and testing of high-performance applications, solutions and technologies. The centers provide free access to users and vendors around the world, and operate around the clock, 365 days a year. For more information please visit the [HPC Advisory Council Cluster Center website](#).

### **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).

Council Members include: 3M, 451 Group, AccelerEyes, Ace Computers, Advanced Cluster Systems, Advanced Clustering Technologies, Allinea Software, Altair Engineering, AMD, ANSYS, Inc., Appro, Ashley Pittman, ATK Space Systems, ATP Electronics, Auburn University, Avago Technologies, Bay Microsystems, Blue Ridge Numerics, Bright Computing, BroadGroup, Centre For Development of Advanced Computing (C-DAC), Centre For High Performance Computing, CIMCORP INFORMATICA SA, C.S.I.R.O, CD-adapco, Clustercorp, ClusterVision, Codeplay Software, Colfax International, Colt Technology Services, Corning Cable Systems, Cornell University Center for Advanced Computing, Creative Consultants, DataDirect Networks, Dawning Information Industry, Dell, Dildy Enterprises, Digital Waves, Diglio A. Simoni, Evergrid, Eyescale Software GmbH, Federal University of Rio de Janeiro, Fermi National Accelerator Laboratory, FireDaemon, Gabriel Consulting Group, GigaSpaces Technologies, Gnodal, Go Virtual Nordic, GraphStream Incorporated, The George Washington University, HCL Infosystems, HP, HPCTech Corporation, IBRIX, IBSwitches.com, Inspur, Institute of Network and Information Security, Instrumental, Intalio, Intel, InterSect360 Research, IT Brand Pulse, The Israeli Association of Grid Technologies (IGT), KAUST (King Abdullah University of Science and Technology), Kinder Morgan CO2, Kirchhoff-Institute of Physics, Ruprecht-Karls University, Koi Computers Inc., Lamprey Networks, Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory / NERSC, Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory, Livermore Software Technology Corporation, Locuz Enterprise Solutions Limited, LSI Corporation, Luxtera, Magma Design Automation, McGill University, Mellanox Technologies, Microsoft, Microway, University of Minnesota, Montana State University, National Research Center for Intelligent Computing Systems (NCIC), NEC Corporation of America, NET Consult, Netweb Technologies, Network Equipment Technologies, Numerical Algorithms Group, NVIDIA, Oak Ridge National Laboratory, Obsidian Strategies, OCF plc, Ohio State University, Panasas, ParTec Cluster Competence Center GmbH, PCPC Direct, Peking University, Penguin Computing, Performance Jones L.L.C, Platform Computing, Pro SYS, Queen's University, Quellan/Intersil, Quix Computerware AG, RAID, Inc., RNA networks, SGI, Scalable Graphics, Scalable Informatics, ScaleMP, Schlumberger, Science + Computing ag, Scientific Computing, Silicon Mechanics, Simula Research Laboratory, SoftModule, StreamScale, Stony Brook University, Sumisho Computer Systems, Sun Microsystems, Supermicro, Swiss National Supercomputing Centre CSCS, System Fabrics Works, Terascala, Texas Advanced Computing Center, The Victorian Partnership for Advanced Computing, Transtec AG, TOTAL E&P Research and Technology USA, T-Platforms, Tycrid, University of Ljubljana, University of Utah Center for High Performance Computing, University of Wyoming, uSTAR, Versatus HPC, Virginia Tech University, Virtual Machine Company, VMware, Voltaire, VXTECH, University of Wisconsin Madison, W.L. Gore & Associates, Wipro InfoTech, Wolfram Research, XLsoft China, Z Research

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