

Active role for BSC in PRACE 2



BSC will play an active role in the second phase of the [PRACE](#) Partnership: [PRACE 2](#). Spain (through BSC) is one of the five PRACE hosting members of the partnership, and has actively contributed to the discussions and definition of the underlying funding model of the Research Infrastructure. In its contribution to the new PRACE 2 programme, BSC will:

- offer access to MareNostrum 4, the new Spanish Tier-0 system that will commence service in July, and will include emerging technologies clusters;
- continue contributing to maintain a world-class Peer-Review;
- host of one of the five PRACE High-Level Support Teams (HLST)
- be home to one of the six PRACE Advanced Training Centers (PATCs)

“BSC has contributed in PRACE since its very beginnings. We are glad to see that Spain will continue playing a key role in the European HPC ecosystem, after being secured until 2020 by the recent investments from the Spanish government” says Sergi Girona, BSC Operations Director and Vice-Chair of the PRACE Council.

BSC has been deeply involved in PRACE since before its Preparatory Phase Project and its activities have spanned all Implementation Phase Projects and leading the Organizational aspects of the Research Infrastructure, as well as participating actively in all other development and service activities.

Participation in the PRACE initiative has been of a great value to Spanish scientists as they have led more than 50 projects and received more than 1000 million core hours from the partnerships' infrastructure since 2010. BSC has contributed to PRACE a total of 1460 million core hours for PRACE users.

Read PRACE press release [here](#).



Caption: PRACE Council members in the 25th PRACE Council Meeting on 3 March 2017 in Schiphol, Amsterdam, the Netherlands, including Sergi Girona, BSC Operations Director and Vice-Chair of the PRACE Council and Oriol Pineda, Member of the Board of Directors for Spain

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