



PRACE concluded an exciting and inspiring week at SC17

The SC17 Exhibition doors closed on Thursday 16 November 2017 in Denver, Colorado. Now it is time to wrap up all the different activities at the PRACE booth (#2171) which welcomed the SC visitors from 13 November to 16 November 2017.

Serge Bogaerts, PRACE Managing Director held a brief and warm welcome talk to open the PRACE booth during the SC17 Exhibition Opening Gala on Monday evening.

Next morning Tom Tabor, CEO of Tabor Communications, publisher of HPCwire presented personally the distinguished HPCwire readers and editor choice award in the category "[Outstanding Leadership in HPC](#)" to Prof. Dr. Anwar Osseyran, Chair of the PRACE Council, member of the Executive Board of SURF and CEO of SURFsara at the PRACE booth. In addition PRACE was honoured to receive a shared HPCwire Editors' Choice award in the category "[Top HPC Enabled Scientific Achievement award](#)". Tom Tabor handed over the award to representatives from [PRACE](#) – Serge Bogaerts (PRACE Managing Director); GENCI – Philippe Lavocat (CEO, GENCI) and Stéphane Requena (CTO – GENCI), and Christophe Calvin (CEA); at the same occasion.

This year PRACE opened its presentation space for PRACE-relevant talks as well to several other topics, which were connected to PRACE members and/or to the PRACE Implementation Project like:

- energy efficiency & power management
by speakers from Atos, Maxeler Technologies, and E4 Computer Engineering
- presentations dealing with the path to Exascale
by speakers from University of Innsbruck, Technical University of Munich, INRIA, and EPCC
- EXDCI project was presented by Francois Bodin,
- Daichi Mukunoki, winner of the [PRACE-ISC Research poster Award 2017](#), talked about: Implementation and Evaluation of 2.5D Matrix a Multiplication on the K computer.
- The NOMAD Laboratory - European Centre of Excellent presented by Dieter Kranzelmüller, Director of LRZ (Leibniz Supercomputing Centre)

The wide range of presentation topics attracted SC visitors, and gave the PRACE team and guest speakers an awesome occasion to have inspired discussions with the participants. To follow up the different presentations, please follow the link to the entire speaker overview including the [presentation slides](#).

Furthermore, PRACE was pleased to donate for the second time prizes to the SC17 Scavenger Hunt organised by the Students@SC programme. A good opportunity for the PRACE team to interact with undergraduate international students and to inform them about the training & education possibilities in PRACE when they dropped by the PRACE booth during the Scavenger Hunt.

Last but not least, to highlight the European HPC Ecosystem on the international floor PRACE and [EXDCI](#) shared the booth space for the second time at SC17.

The PRACE team is looking forward to welcome you all at SC18 in Dallas, Texas.



About PRACE

The Partnership for Advanced Computing in Europe (PRACE) is an international non-profit association with its seat in Brussels. The PRACE Research Infrastructure provides a persistent world-class high performance computing service for scientists and researchers from academia and industry in Europe. The computer systems and their operations accessible through PRACE are provided and funded by 5 PRACE members (BSC representing Spain, CINECA representing Italy, CSCS representing Switzerland, GCS representing Germany and GENCI representing France). The Implementation Phase of PRACE receives funding from the EU's Seventh Framework Programme (FP7/2007-2013) under grant agreement RI-312763 and from the EU's Horizon 2020 Research and Innovation Programme (2014-2020) under grant agreements 653838 and 730913. For more information, see www.prace-ri.eu

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