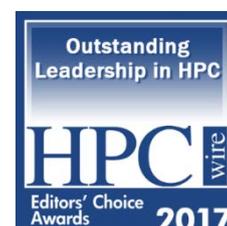
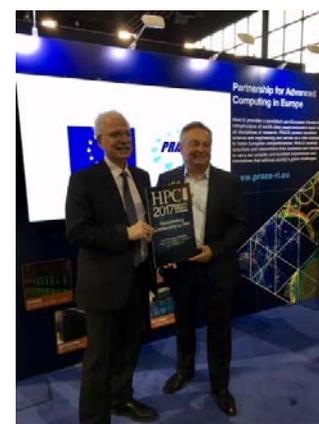


PRACE Council Chair Anwar Osseyran awarded HPCwire Readers' and Editors' Choice Awards 2017



Each year these distinguished awards recognise the most outstanding individuals, organisations, products and technologies in the industry. PRACE is pleased to announce that Prof. Dr. Anwar Osseyran, Chair of the PRACE Council, member of the Executive Board of SURF and CEO of SURFsara, is the recipient of the HPCwire Readers' and Editors' Choice Award in the category: "Outstanding Leadership in HPC". The award was presented by Tom Tabor, CEO of Tabor Communications, publisher of HPCwire, to Anwar Osseyran on Tuesday 14 November 2017 at the PRACE booth at the 2017 International Conference for High Performance Computing, Networking, Storage and Analysis (SC17), in Denver, Colorado.



Anwar Osseyran, Tom Tabor



Anwar Osseyran, as Chair of the PRACE Council, gathered and engaged 25 European organisations, supported by their governments, to harmonise their different objectives, and finally to commit to the [PRACE 2 programme](#), ratified in spring 2017. This outstanding achievement provides a fertile basis for the sustainability of PRACE as the European research infrastructure, fostering world leading science and industrial competitiveness in Europe through supercomputing.

Anwar Osseyran has been the CEO of SURFsara, the Dutch national HPC Center for more than 15 years, and is part-time

Professor of Business Analytics and Computer Science at the University of Amsterdam.

"I am delighted to congratulate Anwar Osseyran on this award as a recognition of his leadership in HPC. In my role as PRACE Council Secretary I have personally experienced how instrumental he has been in bringing the PRACE members together to reach this collective achievement of setting up the new phase of our organisation." stated Serge Bogaerts, Managing Director PRACE.

The coveted annual HPCwire Readers' and Editors' Choice Awards are determined through a nomination and voting process with the global HPCwire community, as well as selections from the HPCwire editors. The awards are an annual feature of the publication and constitute prestigious recognition from the HPC community. More information on these awards can be found at the HPCwire website (<http://www.HPCwire.com>) or on Twitter through the following hashtag: #HPCwireAwards.



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