# HPC CF



### How to Contribute to the Certification Standard?



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## **Learning Objectives**



- Describe the role of the HPC Certification Forum
- Organize competences using a MindMapping tool
- Define a skill using Markdown on GitHub
- Define a skill using the Wiki

### The HPC Certification Forum



#### Goals

- Standardizing the HPC knowledge into fine-grained competences
  - ▶ What competences exist, how are they defined?
  - ▶ Puzzle of competences for everyone (practitioners, students, admins)
  - Supporting navigation and role-specific knowledge maps
- Establishing international recognized certificates attesting knowledge
- Supporting an ecosystem around the HPC competences

## The Competences Standard (CS) == Skills + Tree



- The Competence Standard follows processes to evolve
- A skill defines background, objectives, learning outcomes
- The skill tree organizes the competences as hierarchical skills

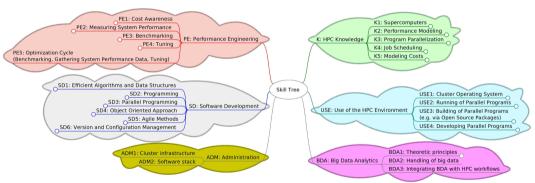


Figure: Top-levels of the skill tree (Initial ADM and BDA branches)

## Example High-Level Skill (Excerpt)



- Name: SLURM Workload manager
- Id: USE4.2.2-B
- Background: SLURM is a widely used open-source workload manager providing various advanced features.
- Aim:
  - comprehend and describe the basic architecture of SLURM and its tools
  - use relevant tools to run and monitor (parallel) applications

### Learning outcomes (these must be examinable)

- run interactive jobs with salloc, a batch job with sbatch
- explain the architecture of SLURM, i.e., the role of slurmd, srun
- explain the function of the tools: sacct, sbatch, salloc, ...
- explain time limits and the benefit of a backfill scheduler
- see https://www.hpc-certification.org/wiki/