



Welcome to CCGrid-Life 2015

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- Workshop on
Clusters, Clouds and Grids for Life Sciences
- Chairs
 - Jesus Carretero, U. Carlos III of Madrid, Spain
 - Javier Garcia Blas, U. Carlos III of Madrid, Spain
 - Sandra Gesing, U. Notre Dame, IN, USA
 - Johan Montagnat, CNRS, France
- Merged event from CCGrid-Health 2014 and
C4Bio 2014
- 6 accepted submissions out of 10

CCGrid-Life Program

Coffee Break 9:30 - 10:30

Welcome and Keynotes

10:30 - 11:00	Welcome and Introduction by the Workshop Chairs
11:00 - 12:00	Keynote: Science gateways for medical imaging: VIP, CBRAIN, and their interoperability Tristan Glatard

Lunch Break 12:00 - 13:30

Session 1

13:30 - 15:30	Analysing Cancer Genomics in the Elastic Cloud Christopher Smowton, Crispin Miller, Wei Xing, Andoena Balla, Demetris Antoniades, George Pallis and Marios D. Dikaiakos
	Scaling Machine Learning for Target Prediction in Drug Discovery using Apache Spark Dries Harnie, Alexander E Vapirev, Jörg Kurt Wegner, Andrey Gedich, Marvin Steijaert, Roel Wuyts and Wolfgang De Meuter
	A Comparative Analysis of Scheduling Mechanisms for Virtual Screening Workflow in a Shared Resource Environment Bui The Quang, Jik-Soo Kim, Seungwoo Rho, Seoyoung Kim, Sangwan Kim, Soonwook Hwang, Emmanuel Medernach and Vincent Breton
	SparkSW: scalable distributed computing system for large-scale biological sequence alignment Guoguang Zhao, Cheng Ling and Hongdong Sun

Coffee Break 15:30 - 16:00

Session 2

16:00 - 17:00	Classifications of computing sites to handle numerical variability Tristan Glatard and Alan Evans
	Multicenter Data Sharing for Collaboration in Sleep Medicine Maximilian Beier, Christoph Jansen, Geert Mayer, Thomas Penzel, Andrea Rodenbeck, René Siewert, Jie Wu and Dagmar Krefting
	Conclusions and closing

CCGrid-Life Special Issue

- Special issue on Clusters, Clouds and Grids for Life Sciences
- Future Generation Computer Systems (FGCS), impact factor: 2.639
- Invited papers of CCGrid-Life and open call

Important Dates

Paper submission due: July 31, 2015
First-round acceptance notification: October 31, 2015
Revision submission: December 14, 2015
Notification of final decision: January 31, 2016
Submission of final paper: March 31, 2016
Publication date: June 30, 2016 (Planned)

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Life Sciences Cluster Report 2014

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Global | 2014



Global competition heats up
as small and mid-tier
companies dictate demand

- Innovative leadership is recalibrating as emerging countries, particularly those in Asia, report impressive growth figures in patent applications, R&D funding, labor productivity and science degrees.
- The demand environment has shifted from one driven by Big Pharma companies to one where mid-tier companies and specialty players are experiencing overnight growth and highly variable needs in response to promising products and treatments.

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Roger's Global Watch List: 10 cities in the spotlight



London/Cambridge/Oxford,
United Kingdom

Specialized projects aim to transform Greater South East England into a "golden triangle" of innovation

- A \$6.4 million investment aims to connect and transform London, Cambridge and Oxford into a regional innovation powerhouse. Local governments hope this funding will support the commercialization of local innovation.



Leiden, Netherlands

Business-friendly environment and new training center allures new companies & expansions

- Efforts by The WestHolland Foreign Investment Agency (WFIA) aided 42 company relocations/expansions during 2013, the most commitments in 13 years. One such company, medical diagnostic equipment manufacturer, Welch Allyn, plans to consolidate European operations into a single site in Leiden and noted business-friendly taxes in its decision.



Beijing, China

Continued investment and development planned for Zhongguancun

- Nicknamed "China's Silicon Valley", Zhongguancun is the one of the densest scientific, educational and talent resource bases in China. Through 2015, the hub will further improve its science & technology cities, promote the development of the northern R&D and industrial belt, and the southern high-tech manufacturing and emerging industrial belt.



Tsukuba, Japan

Tsukuba Science City aims to become Japan's flagship science and technology hub

- Home of the Tsukuba Science City, which is comprised of dozens of national research institutes and hundreds of private research facilities. The city is applying for 'Strategic Global Innovation Center' status to secure tax benefits for small and medium sized businesses, infrastructure development and training for overseas personnel.



Osong Bio Valley,
Chungcheong Province,
Korea

The geographical focus of national government efforts to establish a life sciences hub in Korea

- In total, the government plans to invest approximately \$5.3 billion in its development over the next 30 years and six governmental institutions will relocate to Osong including the Ministry of Food and Drug Safety and Korea National Institute of Health.



Moscow, Russia

Public and private projects aim to grow Moscow's infrastructure and capabilities

- Russia's spend on medicines has grown dramatically over the past five years and is expected to grow anywhere from 8.0 to 13.0 percent by 2020. Private medicine is on the rise and the Russian government, currently the biggest spender, is also focused on growing domestic capabilities.



Tel Aviv, Israel

A start-up friendly infrastructure further bolstered by new R&D park

- Country-wide, industry companies have grown more than 400.0 percent since 1996. Several incubators have been created to encourage new talent and foster mentoring, which continually attract multi-national interest. A sizable high-tech presence and infrastructure to support start-ups provide additional resources.



Seattle, United States

Poised to join the ranks of Boston, San Diego and the Bay Area with strong R&D capabilities

- The industry and lifestyle dynamics of Seattle strongly mirror those of well-established life sciences hubs in the United States. Specifically nearly half of life sciences employment is based in R&D functions and it's coastal geography and urban environment are highly sought after by the younger generation of workers.



Vancouver, Canada

A rich infrastructure for biotech and R&D bodes well as the industry favors smaller, nimbler organizations

- Among the major Canadian cities with active life sciences industries, Vancouver has the greatest share of R&D jobs and tends to feature more start-ups and small to medium-sized companies, as opposed to large pharmaceutical campuses.



São Paulo, Brazil

A stable national economy & improved industry practices bode well for the city's critical mass of companies

- Brazil currently ranks second among global nations for the production of biotech crops and has the largest medical equipment market in South America. Roughly 68.0 percent of medical device manufacturers are located in São Paulo and the largest share of biotech companies among Brazilian cities.

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Geographic shifts in innovation

Globally innovation is shifting to emerging markets.

1 Innovation around the globe

Asia has surpassed both North America and Europe in overall Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT) applications, a measure of innovative output.



North America:
54,398 applications



Europe:
58,141 applications



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78,990 applications

3 Innovation growth

Life sciences PCT applications witnessed **3.7% growth from 2011 to 2012**.

Leading growth clusters include:

China: **42.8%**

Russia: **36.8%**

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Japan: **11.2%**

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Mexico: **7.1%**

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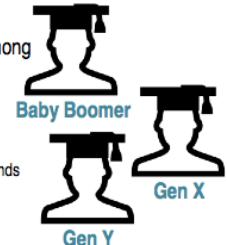
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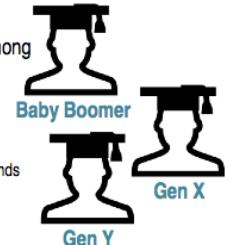
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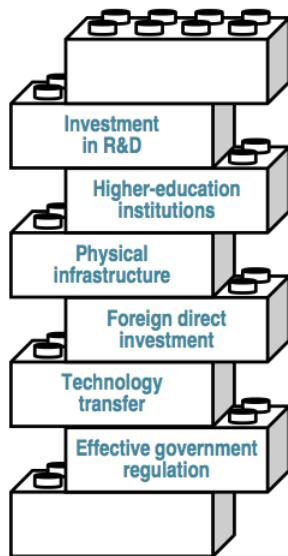
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Technology transfer from bench to marketplace

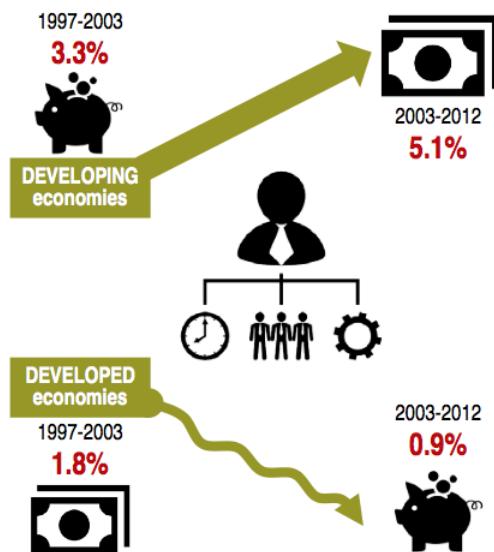
1 Building blocks of development

These foundational components of cluster development are also critical to labor productivity



2 Labor productivity differences

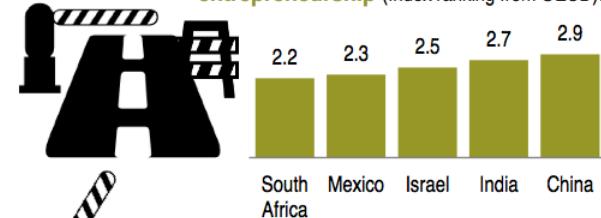
Changes in **labor productivity differ greatly** between developing and developed economies



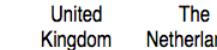
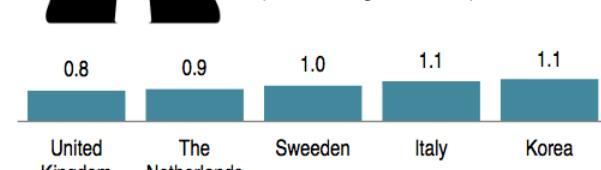
3 Declining entrepreneurship barriers

On the whole, barriers to entrepreneurship have declined in most countries and more established global clusters; however they remain high among emerging life sciences clusters.

Countries with **high barriers to entrepreneurship** (Index ranking from OECD):

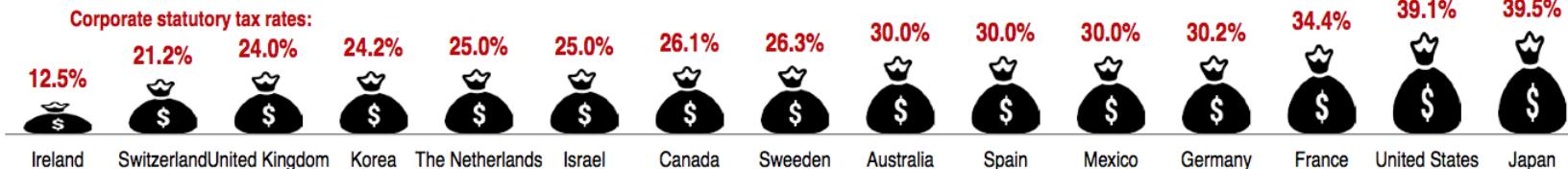


Countries with **low barriers to entrepreneurship** (Index ranking from OECD):



4 Taxes and regulation

Corporate statutory tax burdens are **highest among Japan and the United States** at 39.5% and 39.1%, respectively; however these countries also have some of the best regulatory systems and high political and transparency rates.

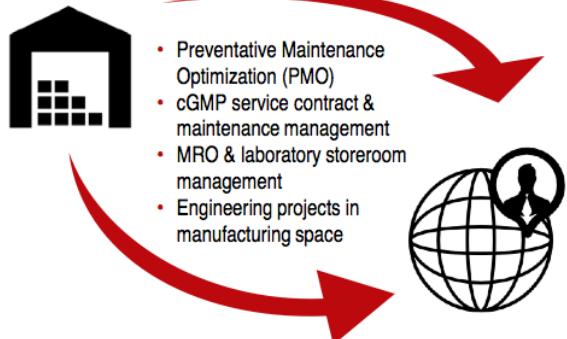


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Efficiency, compliance & facility trends

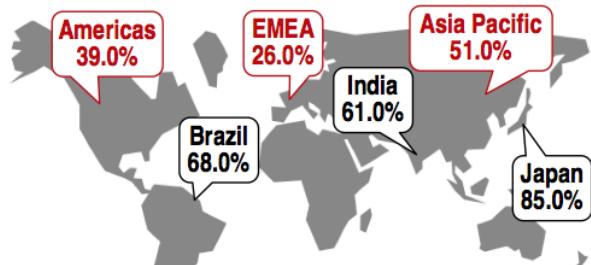
1 To streamline costs, open new doors

Real estate and facility expenses are among the industry's biggest costs. So for the first time, many industry decision makers are now **open to outsourcing** functions in critical and highly regulated space.



4 Global talent shortages

The ManPowerGroup's annual global survey of 38,000 employers in 42 countries revealed that **35.0% report difficulty in filling jobs**, of those 54.0% report this difficulty has a medium or high impact on their ability to meet client needs (up 12 percentage points over 2012).



2 Move beyond the yellow line

For decades, the yellow line designating a critical/regulated area has served as an actual and symbolic boundary for IFM providers. Advancements in the IFM world, are **breaking down some of the barriers** to entry.



- Technical development of 3rd party providers
- Efficiency gains
- Cost savings
- Synergy between critical & non-critical operations
- Integration & standardization

5 Difficult jobs to fill

The difficulty filling Life Sciences jobs may potentially **lead to rising costs and prevent getting the job done in time and on budget**. As the industry builds more complex and sophisticated facilities, the need for highly skilled workers will only exacerbate this problem.

Global
1. Skilled trade workers
2. Engineers
4. Technicians

EMEA
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2. Engineers
5. Technicians

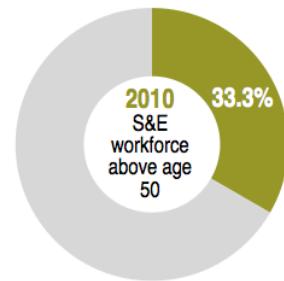
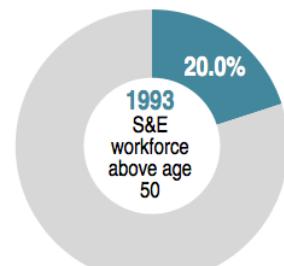
Americas
1. Technicians
3. Engineers
4. Skilled trade workers
5. Production operations

Asia Pacific
2. Engineers
3. Technicians
7. Skilled trade workers
10. Researchers (R&D)

3 Ageing U.S. workforce

From 2010 to 2020 nearly **2 million life scientist and engineering jobs are expected to open**.

A large share of that projection is attributed to a retiring baby boomer S&E workforce.

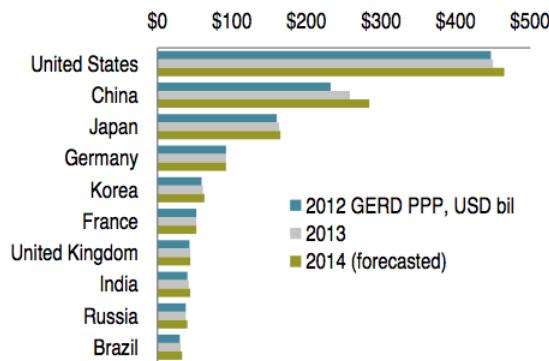


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Global R&D funding perspective

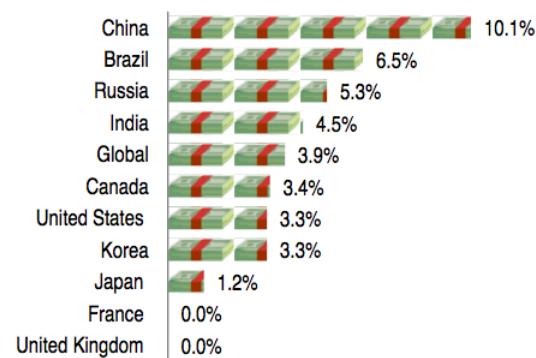
1 Global R&D leaders (3-year view)

European nations post flat growth while developing nations continually post year-over year increases in
Gross Expenditures on Research and Development (GERD)



2 Emerging R&D leaders

The BRICK nations are emerging as global R&D leaders. China, Brazil, Russia, and India are expected to outpace the overall global total for **year-over-year increases in GERD**.



3 Concentration of R&D spend

10 countries account for **80.0%** of global R&D spend.



4 Source of R&D funding

While businesses contribute the most to R&D spend for most countries, the contribution ratios of this, and other funding sources, vary widely.

(The following is based off an industry-representative sample set of countries)
Highest percentages of:

Business R&D funds:



1. Israel
2. Japan
3. Korea

Higher education R&D funds:



1. The Netherlands
2. Canada
3. Mexico

Government R&D funds:



1. Mexico
2. Russia
3. South Africa

Public non-profit R&D funds:



1. United States
2. Israel
3. Australia

5 Economic impact to R&D funding

Since businesses are the biggest source of R&D funds, the broader economy and investor confidence levels can have a major impact on funds appropriated for R&D. Confidence in biotech seems to have returned, with a banner year for life science **IPO activity in the United States**.

52 deals



\$7.0 B



Funding

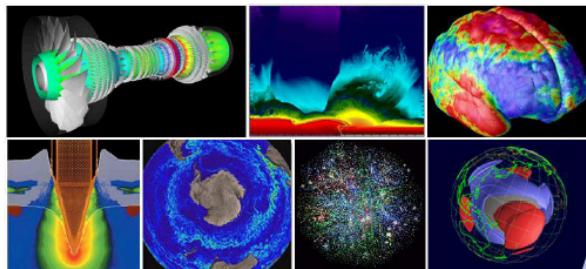


cHiPSet – High Performance Modelling and Simulation for Big Data Applications

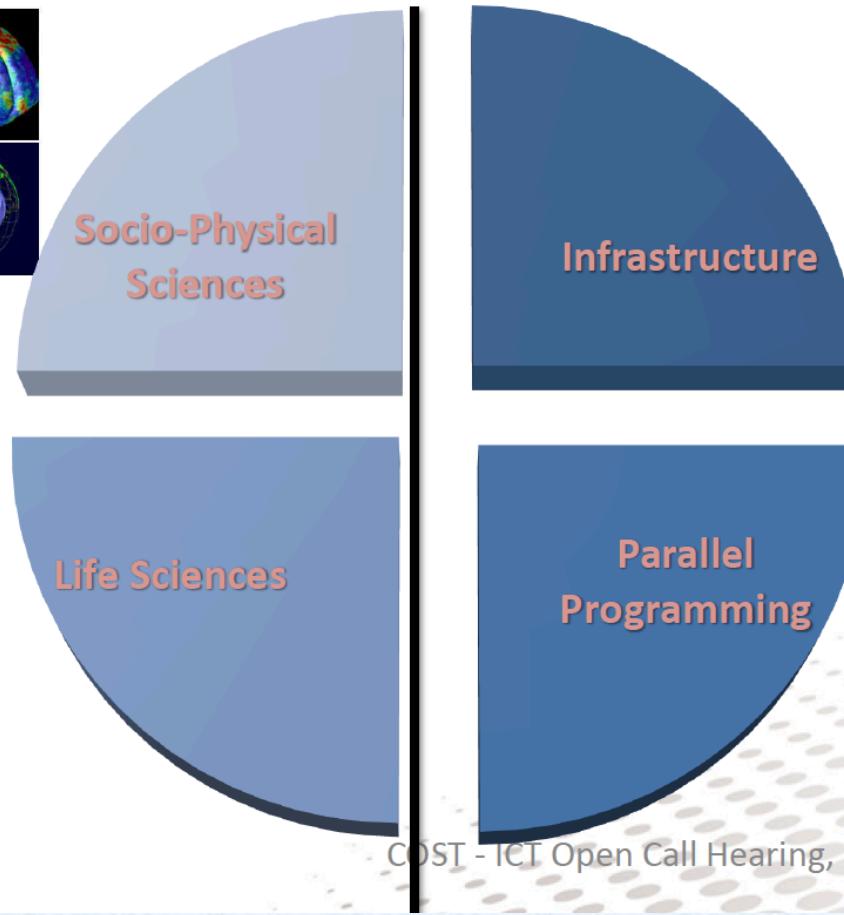
- April 2015 – April 2019
- 15 countries - 12 COST, 3 non-COST (US, China, Australia)
- 37 research organizations/companies (31 COST, 6 non-COST)



Structure & Coordinate Research on HPC-enabled Modelling and Simulation (MS) for Big Data in Europe.

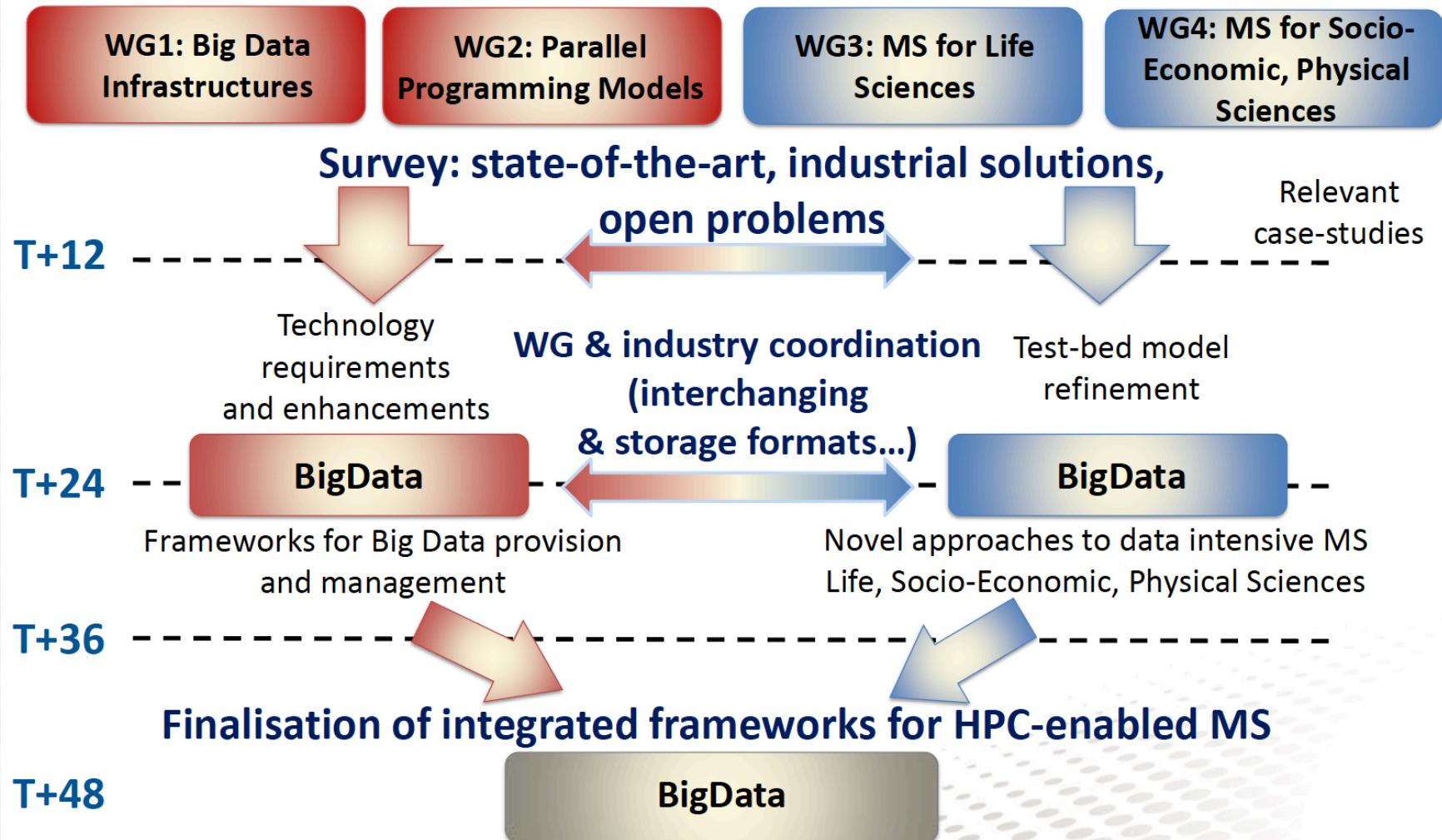


Domain-specific MS



HPC Support

Working Groups (WGs)

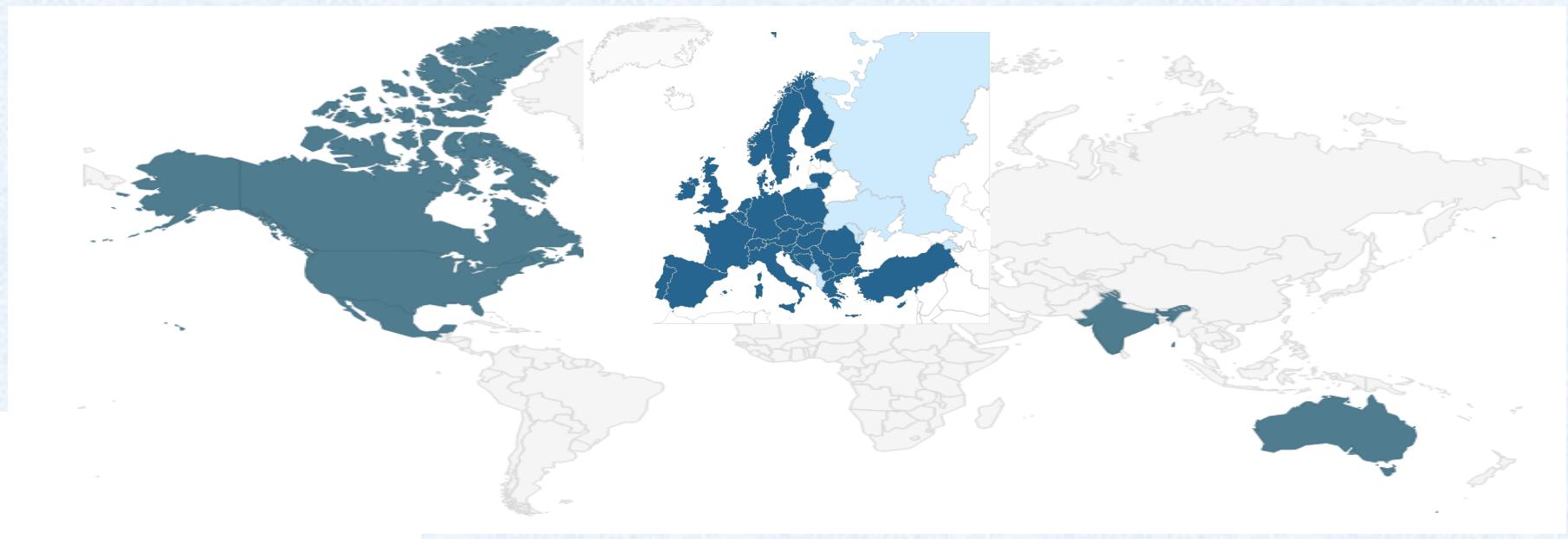


Projects already declared interest for collaboration

- NESUS (Network for Sustainable Ultrascale Computing)
- KEYSTONE (Semantic keyword-based search on structured data sources)
- AAPELE (Algorithms, Architectures and Platforms for Enhanced Living Environment)

And maybe YOU?

- Network for sustainable ultrascale computing systems
- April 2014 – April 2018
- 45 countries - 39 COST, 6 non-COST (US, China, Australia)
- 92 research organizations/companies
- More than 240 members



Challenges in UCS

Programming environment

New programming models:
Hierarchical models
Many-task models
Global memory models
Data distribution and locality
Awareness of data-movement cost

Emergence of new algorithms
Energy-efficient algorithms
Fault-tolerant algorithms
Application code migration and re-writing
High-productivity methods

System Software

Increased system heterogeneity
Capability for virtualization
Standardized APIs
Scalability, modularity, robustness

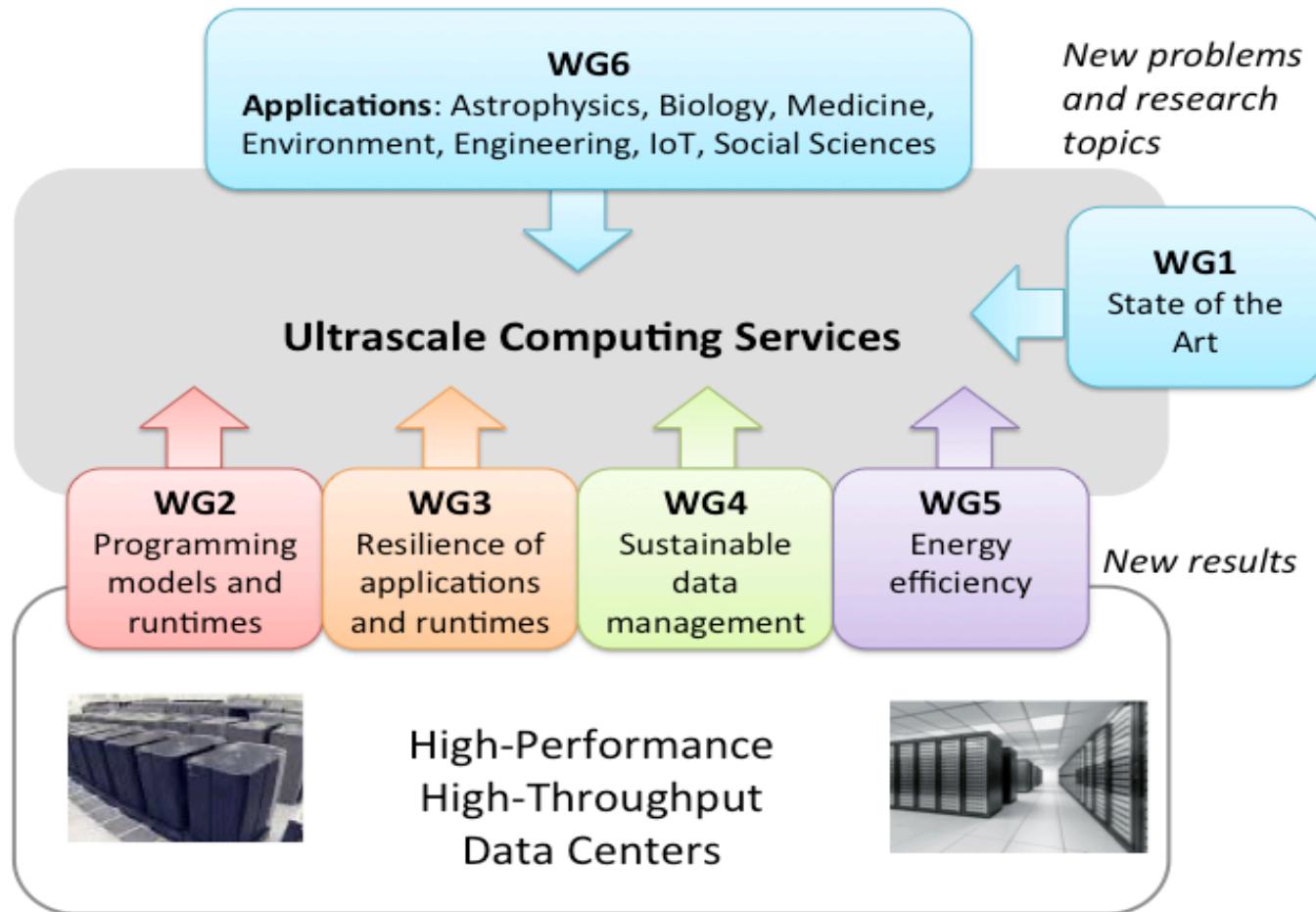
Explosion of data volumes
Awareness of data-movement cost
Extensive system monitoring
Performance models

System architecture

Heterogeneous platform architectures
Power consumption
I/O latency and bandwidth
Concurrency and data locality
Storage capacity

Extreme scale from sub-component to total system
Resiliency , Reliability, Availability, Serviceability (RAS)
Software-defined systems

Workplan



NESUS Activities

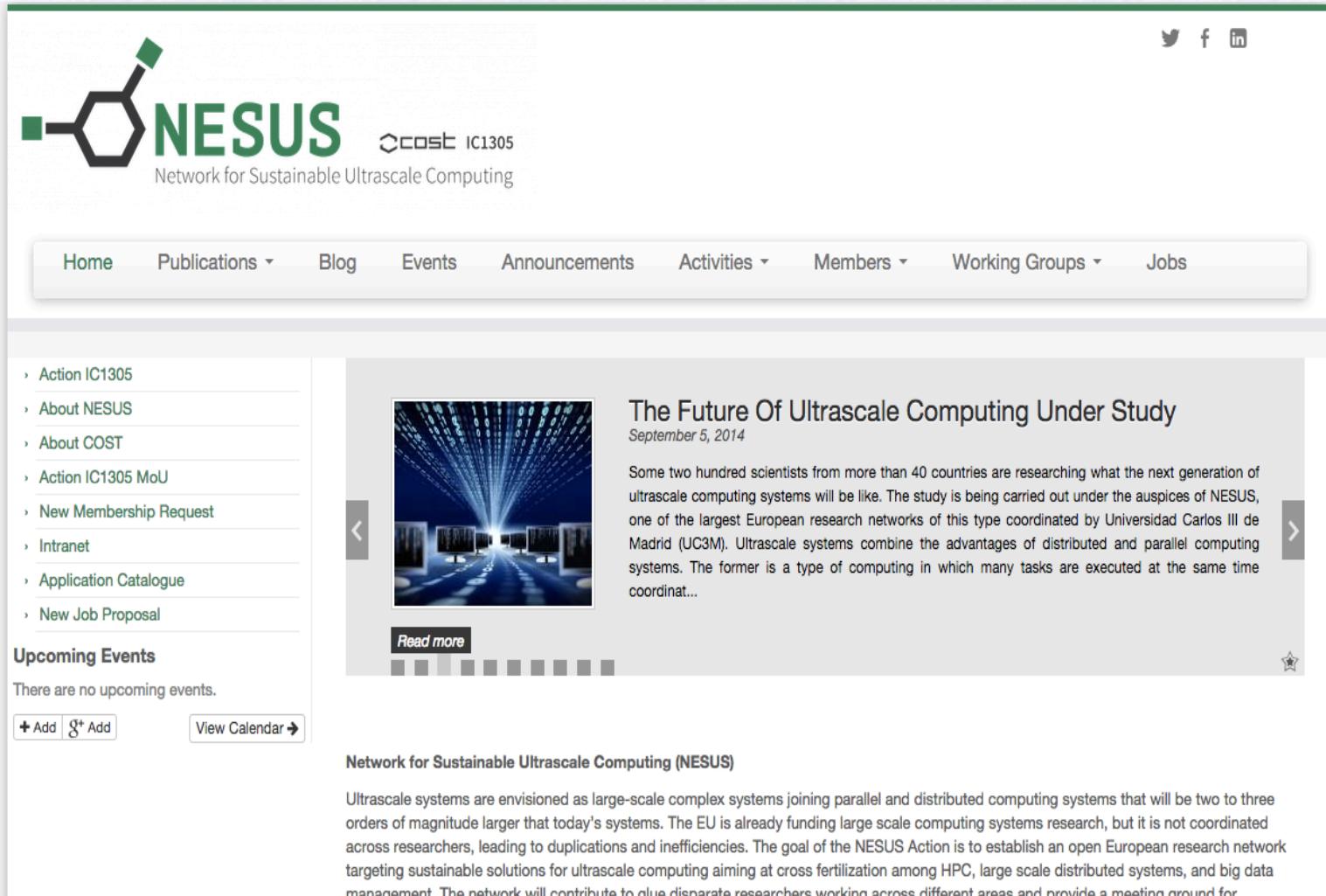
❑ Main activities

- ❖ Research coordination
- ❖ Working Group meetings
- ❖ Research stays
- ❖ Yearly workshop
- ❖ Training school
- ❖ PhD symposium

❑ Strong emphasis in cooperation

- ❖ Join publications, tools, applications, ...
- ❖ With industry to solve real-world cases

NESUS Web portal (nesus.eu)



The screenshot shows the NESUS web portal homepage. At the top, there is a header with the NESUS logo, the text "COST IC1305", and social media links for Twitter, Facebook, and LinkedIn. Below the header is a navigation bar with links for Home, Publications, Blog, Events, Announcements, Activities, Members, Working Groups, and Jobs. On the left side, there is a sidebar with a list of links: Action IC1305, About NESUS, About COST, Action IC1305 MoU, New Membership Request, Intranet, Application Catalogue, and New Job Proposal. Below this is a section titled "Upcoming Events" with a message stating "There are no upcoming events." There are buttons for "+ Add" and "View Calendar". The main content area features a large image of computer monitors displaying binary code, with the title "The Future Of Ultrascale Computing Under Study" and the date "September 5, 2014". A "Read more" button is present below the image. At the bottom of the page, there is a footer with the text "Network for Sustainable Ultrascale Computing (NESUS)" and a paragraph about ultrascale systems.

NESUS
Network for Sustainable Ultrascale Computing

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The Future Of Ultrascale Computing Under Study
September 5, 2014

Some two hundred scientists from more than 40 countries are researching what the next generation of ultrascale computing systems will be like. The study is being carried out under the auspices of NESUS, one of the largest European research networks of this type coordinated by Universidad Carlos III de Madrid (UC3M). Ultrascale systems combine the advantages of distributed and parallel computing systems. The former is a type of computing in which many tasks are executed at the same time coordinat...

Read more

Network for Sustainable Ultrascale Computing (NESUS)

Ultrascale systems are envisioned as large-scale complex systems joining parallel and distributed computing systems that will be two to three orders of magnitude larger than today's systems. The EU is already funding large scale computing systems research, but it is not coordinated across researchers, leading to duplications and inefficiencies. The goal of the NESUS Action is to establish an open European research network targeting sustainable solutions for ultrascale computing aiming at cross fertilization among HPC, large scale distributed systems, and big data management. The network will contribute to glue disparate researchers working across different areas and provide a meeting ground for



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