

# S SLINGOM do inovacij: HPC4SME AAT in razvoj “Proof-of-Concept”

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# Why HPC for business?

- **Accelerated Innovation:** Faster simulations and analyses speed up product development.
- **Cost Efficiency:** Reduces the need for physical prototypes and testing.  
Saving personnel, materials, and production costs.
- **Data-Driven Decisions:** Enables advanced analytics for better business insights.
- **Optimized Processes:** Improves efficiency in manufacturing and operations.
- **Competitive Edge:** Enhances capabilities in AI, big data, and simulations.
- **Scalability:** Handles increasing workloads as businesses grow.
- **Risk Reduction:** Models scenarios to identify potential issues before implementation.
- **Sustainability:** Improves energy efficiency and supports green initiatives.
- **Personalization:** Supports customized solutions in industries like healthcare and retail.



Source: FF4EuroHpc

- **Collaboration:** Facilitates global research and innovation partnerships.

# HPC it is! But ...



# Barriers for SMEs

Software license?

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# Barriers for SMEs

Trust!!

Price, ROI??

Domain knowhow?

HPC Hardware?

Software license?



# Overcome barriers with the NCCs!

## Partner with NCCs:

- 33 NCCs in EU
- NCC SLING SLOVENIA



# Why HPC4SME AAT?

## SMEs

- Discover IF and HOW the organisation can benefit from supercomputing services
- Get support & services from NCCs, get funding opportunities, and access to HPC

- **HPC4SME AAT Questionnaire focuses on three main topics:**

1. Readiness
2. Cloud
3. HPC

- Questionnaire: 30 minutes
- SME receives a valuable report with recommendations
- SME receives support from NCC SLING

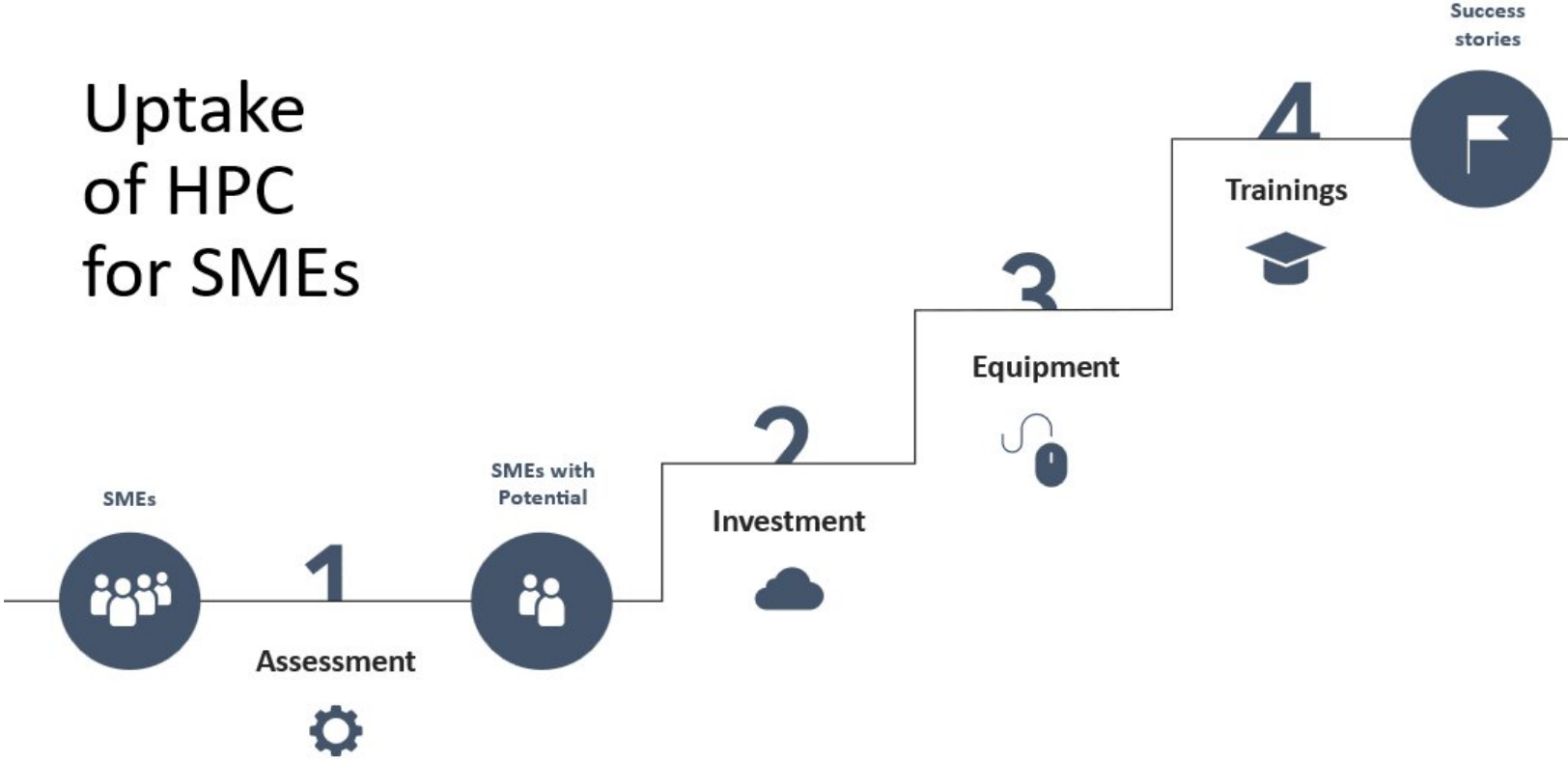
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# Let the journey begin!

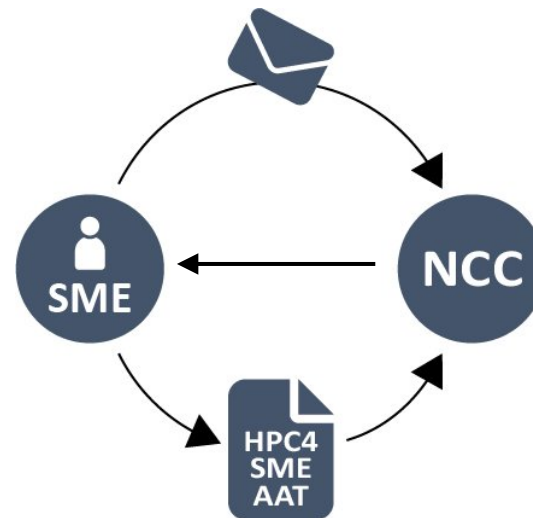
Uptake  
of HPC  
for SMEs



# NCC SLING: support for industry

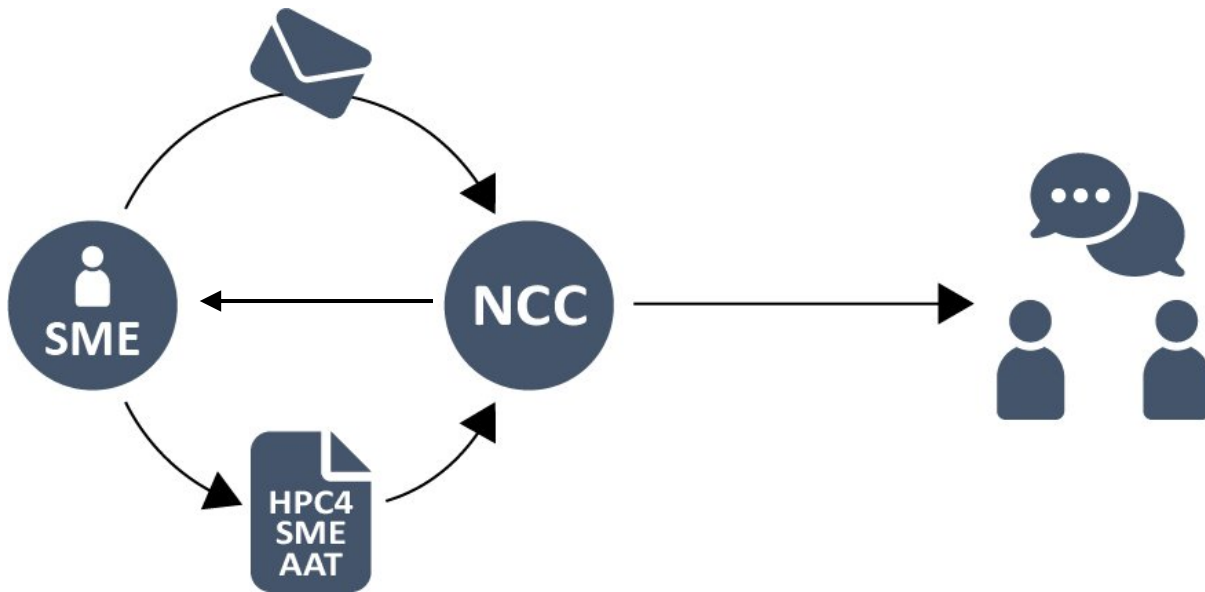
Approaching:

- a) SMEs contact NCC
- b) SME submits HPC4SME AAT questionnaire
- c) NCC contacts SMEs



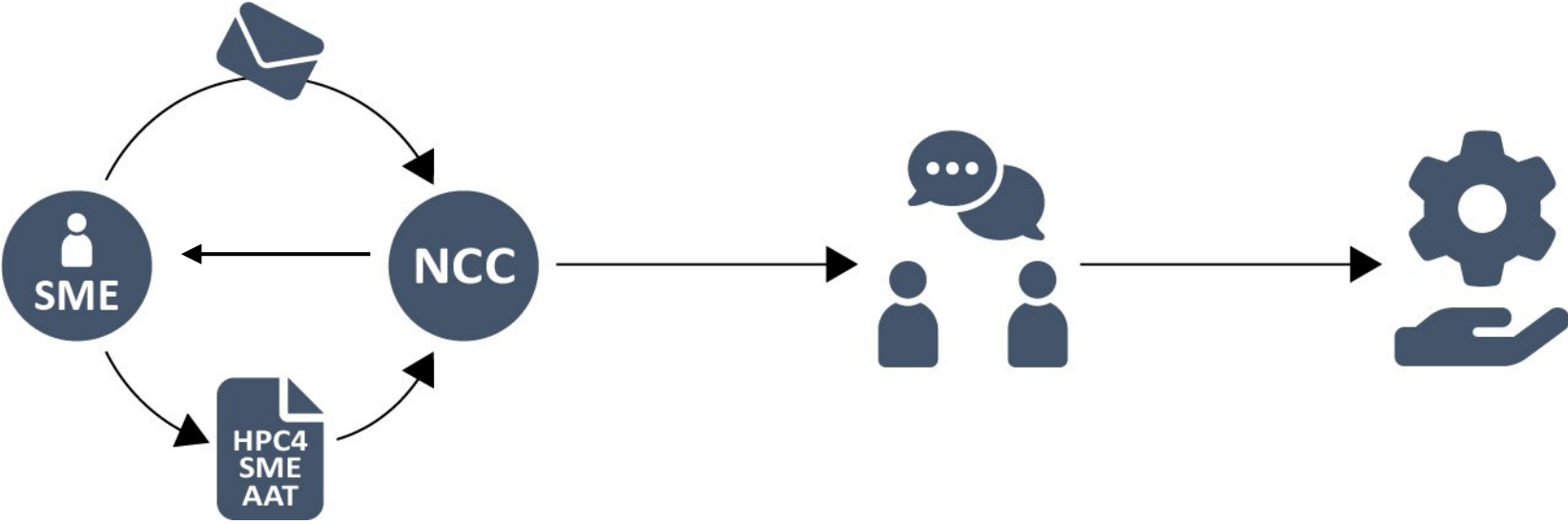
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2. Arranging first meeting 1-on-1: SME goals, needs, challenges



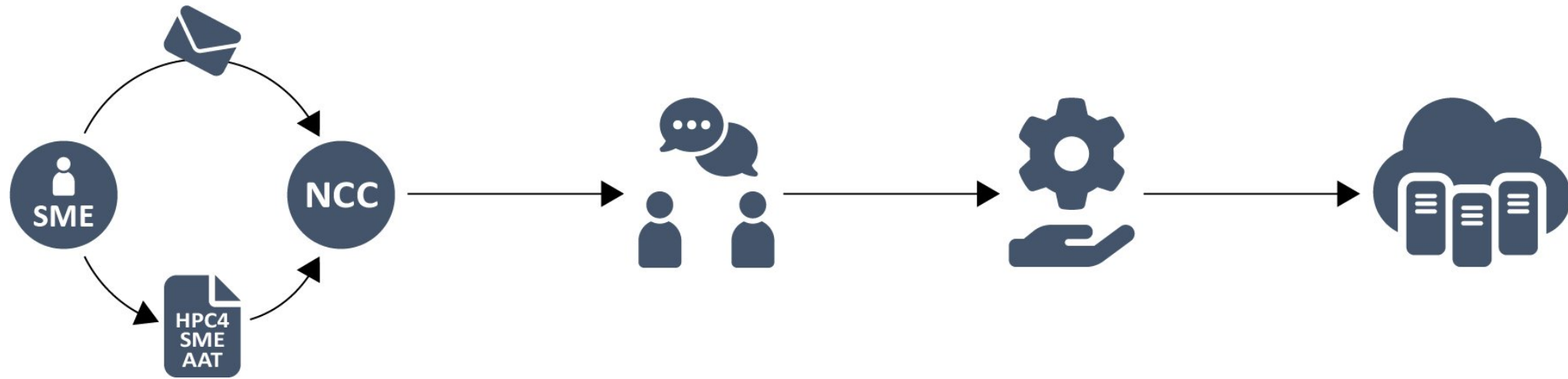
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## 3. Readiness & needs: discussing NCC support



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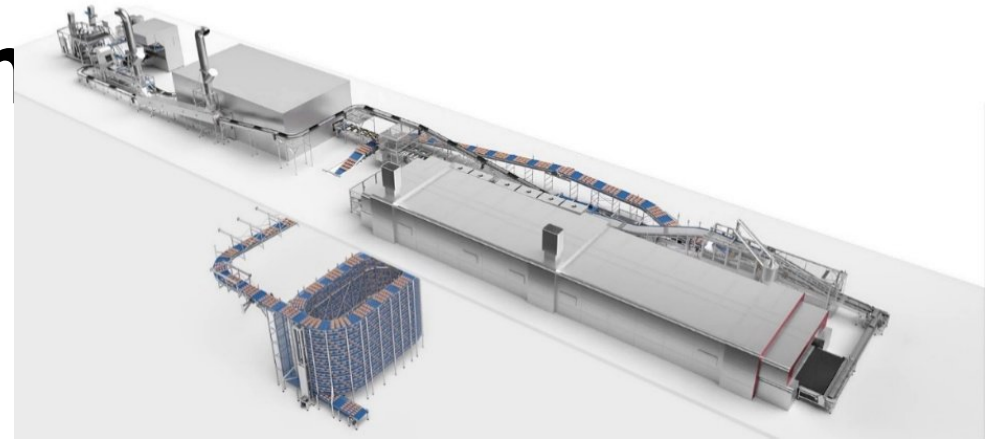
4. Support providing: training, consulting, HPC infrastructure access, PoC development, funding and tender information providing, supporting proposals for Open Calls (e.g., FFplus), and connecting with supporting organizations and partners



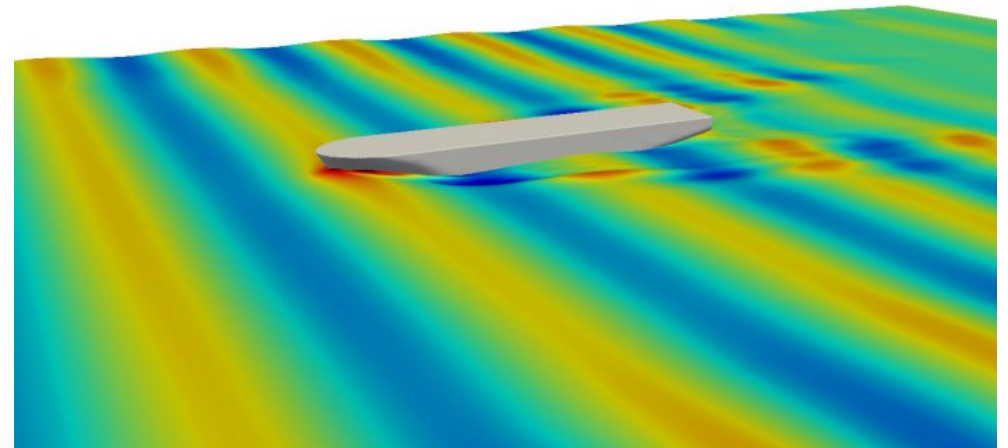
# Industrial PoCs development

- Definition of Customer needs
- Goal & timelines settings
- Idea development & implementation
- HPC infrastructure access € Arctur HPC / VEGA / other EUROHPC JU
- PoC development (test before invest, new knowhow) € Goal: success story, lessons learnt, promotion
- Open Calls support: further development and connecting with supporting organisations (e.g., FFplus)

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Gostol GOPAN Rendering job preparation for multiple GPUs in an HPC cluster



Insilico: Revolutionizing Maritime Design: HPC-Driven Hull Optimization for Superior Wave Dynamics

# FFplus: Driving SMEs innovation

## FFplus project (Fortissimo)

The second Open Call will be launched in the Summer of 2025!

**Business Experiments (HPC&AI)** € max funding per proposal is €200,000, running max 15 months.

**Innovation Studies (LLM)** € max funding per proposal is €300,000, running max 10 months.

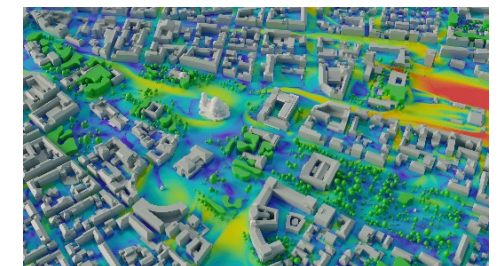
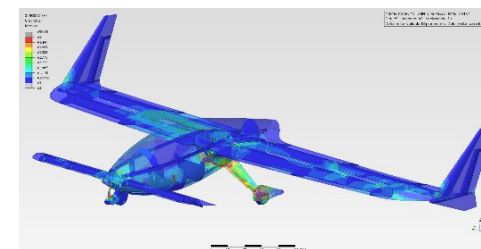
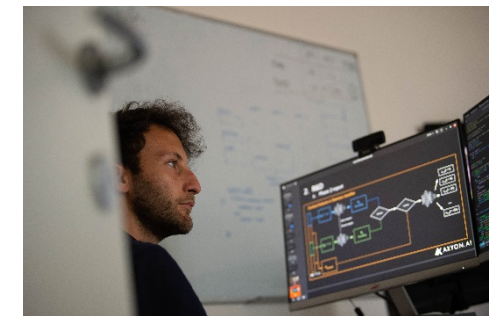
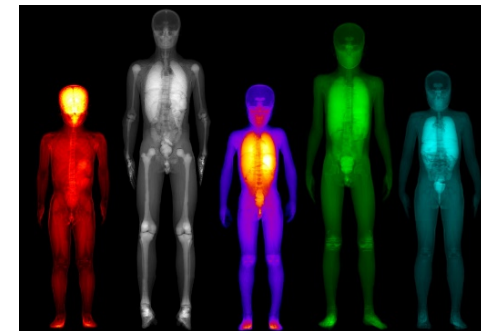
More: [www.ffplus-project.eu](http://www.ffplus-project.eu) & FFplus LinkedIn & YouTube



Within the Fortissimo projects (2013-2023), **121 success stories** were produced in collaboration with **310 partners** from European countries.



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