

ESiWACE3 - Excellence in Simulation of Weather and Climate in Europe, Phase 3

Services and Benchmark Suite for Weather and Climate

Readiness of HPC Extreme-scale Applications - ISC HPC 2025 Workshop Erwan Raffin (Eviden)











ESiWACE3 - Centre of Excellence in Simulation of Weather and Climate in Europe

ESiWACE3 focuses on supporting the weather and climate modelling community in achieving the excellence in exascale supercomputing





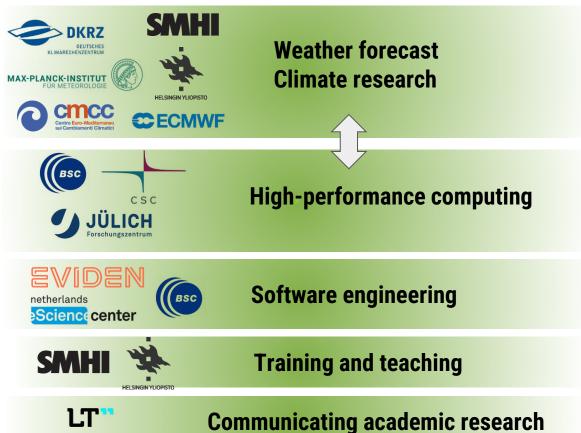
Consortium of 12 partners from 8 different countries

Start: 1 January 2023 End: 31 December 2026

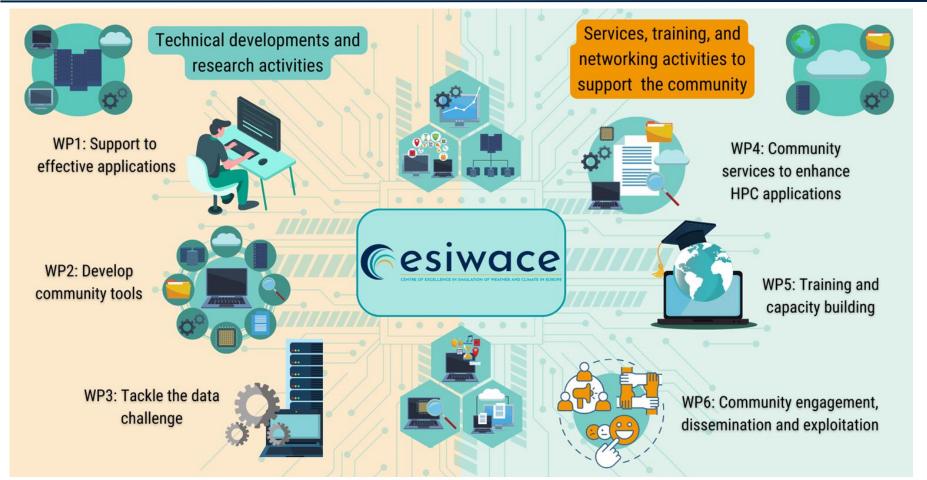


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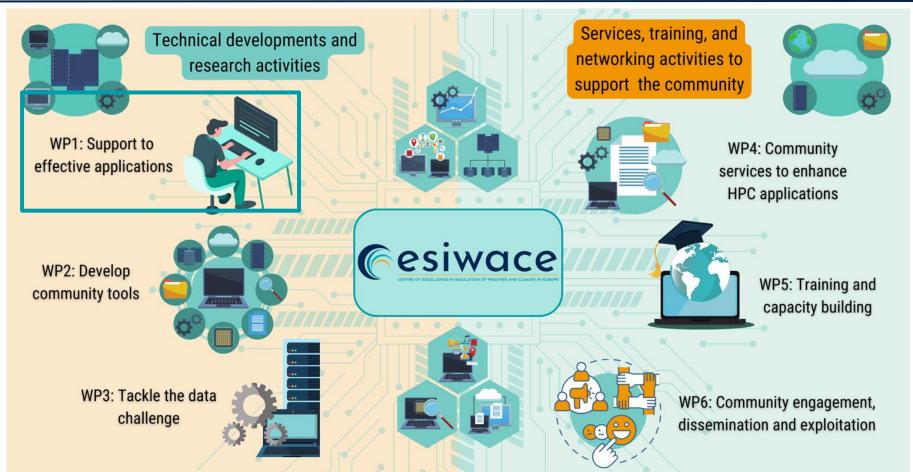






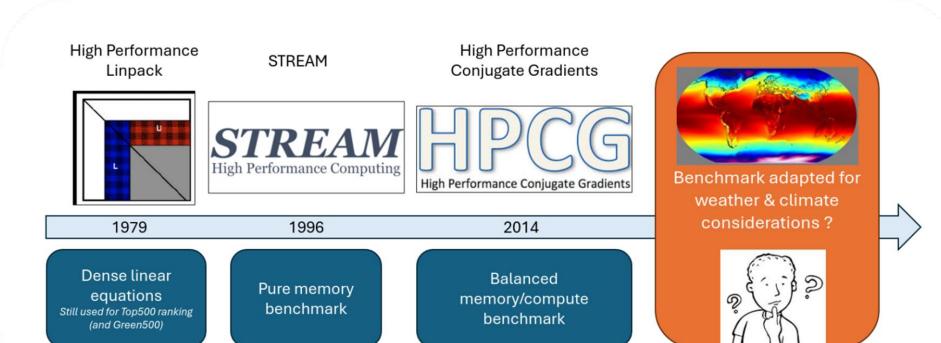








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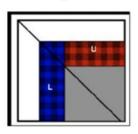


From synthetic to Domain Specific Benchmark

High Performance Linpack

STREAM

High Performance Conjugate Gradients High Performance Climate & Weather









1979 1996 2014 2019 (2025 OSS)

Dense linear equations Still used for Top500 ranking (and Green500)

Pure memory benchmark

Balanced memory/compute benchmark Benchmark adapted for weather & climate considerations



HPCW: High Performance Climate & Weather benchmark suite

Overview

- Set of relevant and realistic, near-operational weather forecast workloads
- · Climate science workflows
- · Same usage as HPL or HPCG including ranking

HPCW v3.0 components:

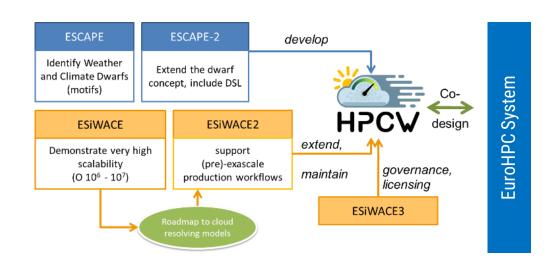
- Models: ICON, NEMO
- Dwarfs:
- IFS: ecRad, ecTrans, cloudSC (incl. GPU)
- NICAM: NICAM-DC (beta)

Benchmark framework

- Agnostic, customizable and parallel
- Multi model and multi dependencies management
- Spack recipes available

Key facts

- CI on Levante (DKRZ)
- Open source: Apache License 2.0
- Already deployed (full or partially) on different HPC systems including Levante (DKRZ), MareNostrum5 (BSC), ECMWF-ATOS, LUMI (CSC), more to come





HPCW: International collaboration







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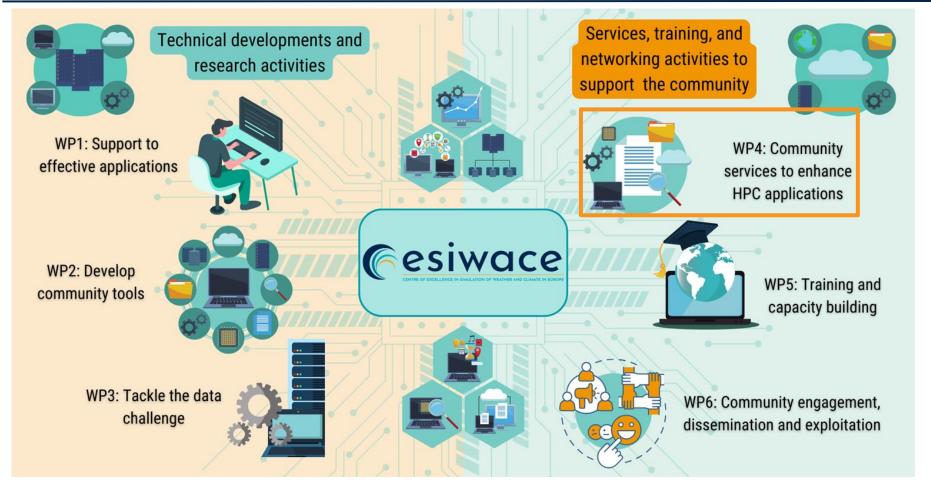




HPCW: High Performance Climate & Weather benchmark suite

- HPCW is the Domain Specific Benchmark dedicated to the Weather and Climate community
- Technology providers need trusted metrics
- Trusted metrics need reproducibility
- Reproducibility needs trusted tools
- HPCW benchmark provides:
- ✓ Weather and Climate models and Dwarfs from the EU, Japan and soon Indian community.
- ✓ An easy way to deploy the software stack to build, verify and benchmark its components
- ✓ Table to compare trusted and reproducible metrics
- Collaborations fosters the exchange of expertise, enabling researchers and industry to be more productive and paving the way to scientific excellence
- Collaboration is key!







Services

We offer free services (help) to enhance HPC applications and improve Earth system models

Model optimization and acceleration

We offer up to 6 person months distributed over one year. Within collaborative projects the ESiWACE experts provide **advice and engineering effort** to the applicant.

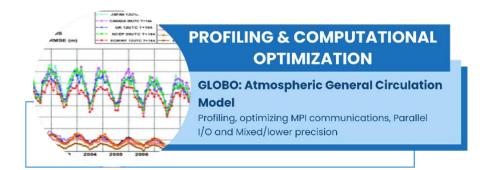
• Support on domain specific tools and technologies

We offer up to 2 person month distributed over half a year. Our experts will support ESM-developers in the **adoption of tools** developed in the landscape of ESiWACE.

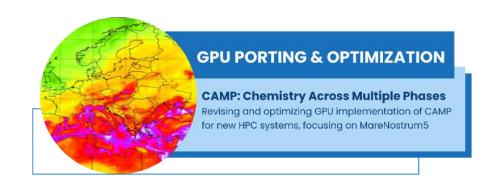


Examples of services











GLOBO

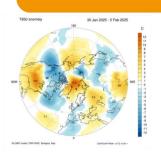
Atmospheric General Circulation Model

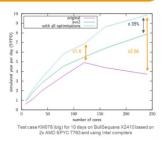




Service provided

Identify bottlenecks for performance and scaling, to improve MPI communications and to implement parallel I/O or any additional aspects to optimise the code.





Build system improvement, loop vectorization, and communication enhancement

Benefits 2.66x

A speedup of up to 2.66x have been obtained on 240 CPU cores Deep code optimizations of the GLOBO atmospheric model.

Societal & economic impact

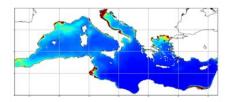
Improving the numerical performance of the model will make the whole forecasting system more efficient in delivering its products to the end users, possibly enlarging its audience.



OGSTM-BFM Service Project

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Ocean Model with Biogeochemical Flux Model (BFM)



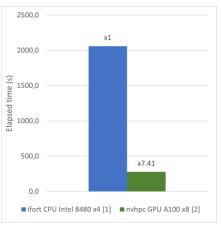
Project objectives

Porting horizontal & vertical diffusion, carbonate system solver of BFM to GPU using OpenACC

Work performed

- First project
 - Not enough work in BFM loops to keep GPU busy
 - Use of batching to increase work per GPU kernel
 - Slow down CPU version
 - Partial porting
 - Need swapping of dimensions of BFM internal arrays, this should benefit GPU execution and probably CPU as well
- Second project
 - Model developers has reversed loops indices in BFM, leading to better performance for both CPU and GPU
 → This has allowed to really exploit GPU
 - Then, the entire model has been ported on GPU
 - This represents about 300 OpenACC kernels across 60 files!
 - 7.41x speedup on GPU compared to CPU on LEONARDO

Results



Sea model 3 days simulation, without I/O dump, 2 LEONARDO nodes.



Take away message

ESiWACE contributes to the Readiness of HPC Extreme-scale Applications in Weather and Climate

- by delivering a range of services including tailored help with model performance and scaling optimization
- by developing the High Performance Climate and Weather (HPCW) benchmark suite composed of flagship models and kernels

Collaboration is key!



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