UG2.2: Become a User

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In order to get a "personal" username for the HPC systems in CINECA, you have to register to our UserDB portal (userdb.hpc.cineca.it).

Moreover, you need to be associated with a valid project, as "Collaborator" or as "Principal Investigator" (PI).

- Collaborator: ask the PI of the project to be associated with it (only the PI can do it in the UserDB portal. Alternatively the PI can ask us to modify it by writing to superc@cineca.it).
- Principal Investigator: you have to apply for a project or get HPC resources in some other ways.

At present, these are the ways you can get HPC resources (projects) on our HPC systems:

- ISCRA Projects: Researchers with an Italian University or an Italian Research Agency affiliation;
- EuroHPC Projects: European researchers;
- Agreements: Italian research Institutions, ask to superc@cineca.it;
- General users and Industrial applications: send a request to superc@cineca.it .

Whatever the way, you will be given the access credentials (login name and 2FA authentication) on the CINECA computers you intend to use and an account key (account number) referring to your project.

Important: The access to our clusters is now done only through a 2FA authentication.

On our Getting Started page you will find all the instructions to receive username and configure the 2FA authentication method.

Our **billing policy** is described on the "UG2.4 Accounting" page.