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HPCE update

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- Integration work on Alps testbed
 - Systems are provisioned with PSI identities
 - using a temporary LDAP server at CSCS containing subset of PSI AD information
 - AFS (Auristor) is available on the test nodes
 - test Lustre file system available on old HW also integrated with PSI LDAP information

TransAlps project pricing/funding

- First pricing information given by CSCS
 - Still **preliminary for GPU and storage**
 - higher pricing since we are required to buy enterprise GPU for BIO
 - higher pricing for high IOPS storage that needs to be constructed on a separate NVME based Lustre pool
- Funding
 - Process for understanding PSI HPC funding 2024-28 on Alps
 - setting up meetings with stakeholders to iterate on budget contributions and sizing (GFA, BIO, NUM experiments: MeG and Mu3e, SCD labs)

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- Positions
 - OpenEM project (Spencer)
 - there will be 6 positions for scientific IT at various Swiss academic institutions for OpenEM
 - If people have colleagues interested to join these projects, please contact Spencer
 - HPCE BIO support
 - we will have a 2y position for BIO IT HPC support within HPCE (replaces Spencer's role for this time)