

# STEP AI

## Anorganic Intelligence

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## Economic AI and HPC Forum

### Step Forward Towards Anorganic Intelligence

Opatija, May 27, 2026  
Grand Hotel Adriatic



### Forum Purpose

To operationalise the European AI and HPC strategy by connecting policy intent, digital infrastructure, industrial deployment, and economic impact, with a strong focus on **Anorganic Intelligence**, systemic AI adoption, HPC integration, and regulatory alignment.

The **Economic AI and HPC Forum** is positioned as a strategic flagship dialogue organised by **MIPRO** and **CroAI**, complementing MIPRO's 17 ICT scientific conferences (more than 400 papers) by focusing on:

- transition towards Anorganic Intelligence,
- infrastructure development,
- Enterprise AI Readiness Proactivity (Agentic AI) and Reactivity (Generative AI),
- economic impact transition.

**The Forum aims to present the EU's strategic frameworks, as well as the technological and infrastructural environments for the development of a smart industry powered by AI and HPC—encompassing both large enterprises and SMEs.**

It will further articulate a forward-looking vision of **Anorganic Intelligence** as the next evolutionary layer beyond conventional AI—enabling autonomous, system-level, and infrastructure-embedded intelligence.

#### Objectives:

- Position AI as a strategic economic ecosystem
- Frame AI as a driver of sovereignty and competitiveness
- Introduce the concept of Anorganic Intelligence beyond narrow AI
- Europe's AI ambition within the Digital Decade 2030
- Strategic autonomy, resilience, and economic security
- Transition from innovation policy to industrial AI policy
- Supporting the "new industrial stack" through a robust financial ecosystem

### MIPRO 2026 OPENING DAY PROGRAM

10 AM - 1 PM **Opening ceremony** (*Tesla's Beacon of Knowledge Award Presentation: Nobel Laureate John Martinis and Infobip*)

3 PM - 7 PM **Step AI Forum**

8 PM - 10 PM **Cocktail Party**



Grand Hotel Adriatic, Congress Centre



Exhibition area



Cocktail party

# STEP-AI FORUM PROGRAM

## Opening presentation



***From Artificial to Anorganic Intelligence***  
**Zorislav Šojat and Karolj Skala**  
 Ruđer Bošković Institute

**Iva Šulentić, moderator**  
 Hrvatska radiotelevizija (HRT)



## Plenary presentations



***From AI Policy to Economic Reality***  
**Andrea Čović Vidović**  
 Deputy Head of Unit, DG CONNECT,  
 European Commission



***Pre-incubation and Skill Development for the Smart Industry Era***  
**Nina Begičević Ređep, Neven Vrčec**  
 University of Zagreb, FOI



***Networking & Institutional Exchange***  
**Anders Dam Jensen**  
 Executive Director, EuroHPC Joint  
 Undertaking



***Industrial AI at Scale: From Connectivity to Intelligent Infrastructure***  
**Damir Prusac**  
 President of Research Alliances, Infobip



***From Industry 4.0 to Industry 5.0: How AI is Reshaping Automation – Implications for SMEs***  
**Dominic Gorecky**  
 Head of Swiss Smart Factory, Executive Board Member



***Solving Complex Problems Using Data and Machine Learning***  
**Damir Kopljar**  
 Head of AI, CROZ



***AI Application Development Framework: Multiagent Systems***  
**Slavko Vidović**  
 CEO, InfoDom



***Tools, Platforms, and Methodologies for AI Application Development***  
**Aleks Buvač**  
 CEO, Own.Solutions



### ***European AI & HPC Ecosystems and Cross-Border Value Chains***

Oral and poster Presentation of AI Factory and AI Antennas



### ***Pantheon Data Center Presentation***

Presentation of the Pantheon AI Hyperscale Tier IV Data Center – A New Phase in Europe's Digital Transformation and AI Ecosystem Development

## REGISTRATION

[Forum info site](#)

Registration can be made via [MIPRO portal](#)

## CONTACTS

[MIPRO Croatian Society](#)  
[CroAI \(Croatian AI Association\)](#)

FORUM REGISTRATION FEES *VAT included	Regular	CroAI and MIPRO members	IEEE members
FORUM FEE (includes Opening, Forum and Cocktail)	200 €	160 €	180 €
PARTICIPATION WITH 1 POSTER AT EXHIBITION applies to AI Factories and Antennas (additional fee)	100 €		

NOTE: We recommend applying by May 15th to support timely processing and organization.



Official language of the Forum is English. The Forum will be simultaneously translated into 64 languages.