



**SIPEARL**

**European high-performance energy-efficient  
processors for supercomputing, AI and data centres**

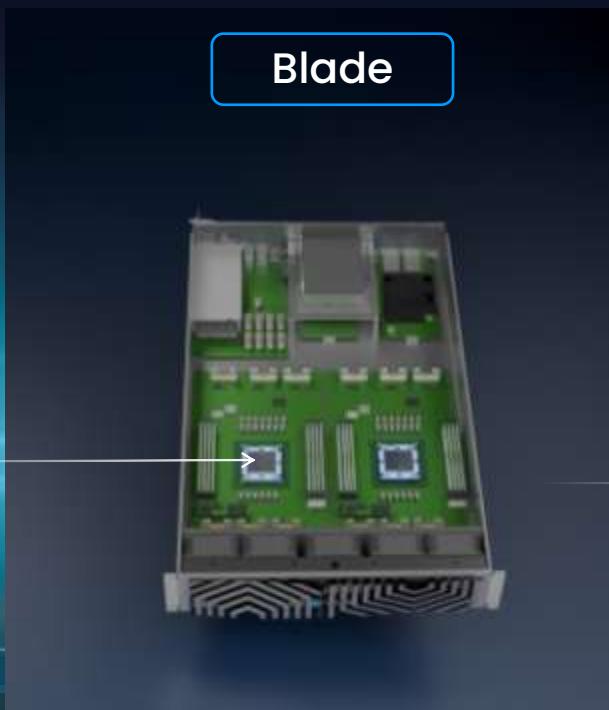
They will help address strategic challenges in the fields of security, defence, health, energy and engineering with a reduced environmental footprint.

# Our business: High-performance energy-efficient processors for HPC<sup>(1)</sup>, AI and data centres

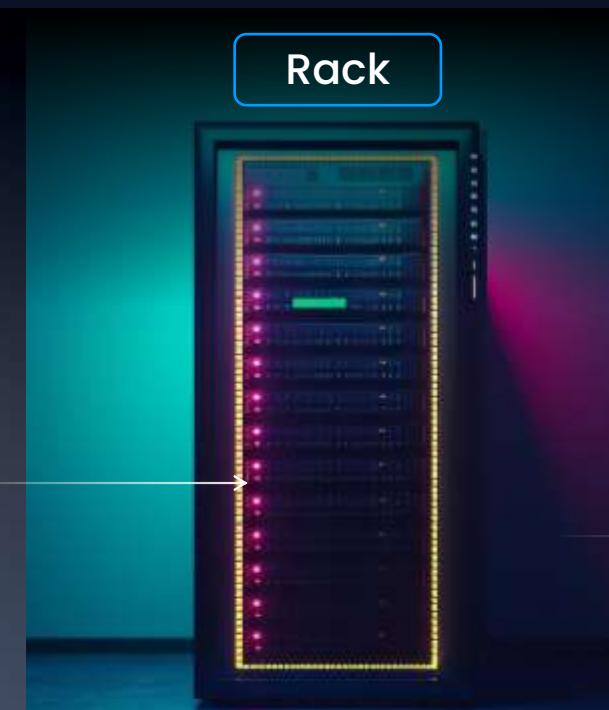
Processor



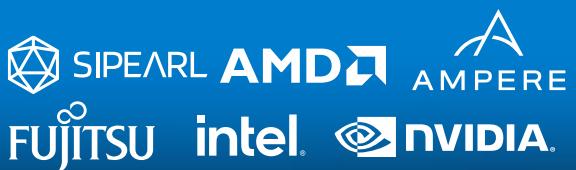
Blade



Rack



HPC, AI, data centres





A leading IC  
design house



# The vision that led to SiPearl's inception



In 2015, while supercomputers and data centres that process Europe's strategic data used mostly non-European hardware, Philippe Notton had an intuition:

“Europe will only gain its strategic independence when it has European high-performance processors at its disposal.”



EuroHPC  
Joint Undertaking



Today's geopolitical and economic context confirms that European hardware is mandatory to ensure Europe's strategic independence in AI and defence.

With the tape-out of its 1<sup>st</sup> family of high-performance energy-efficient processors for supercomputing and AI, SiPearl is ideally positioned to lead this momentum.

# SiPearl, a startup funded by Europe & France

To provide sovereign high-performance energy-efficient processors for Europe's supercomputers, AI companies and Cloud service providers



## Incorporated

In France in June 2019,  
deployed in Spain, Italy



## Seed funded

By the European Union



## Fabless IC design house

Manufacturing entrusted to TSMC with N6P



## 200 employees

from **Atos** **ARM** **ARMATEK** **GT** **INTEL** **NOKIA**  
**NXP** **Hewlett Packard Enterprise** **intel.** **NOKIA**



## Financing

Series-A: €130m



## Technological partnership

Intellectual property

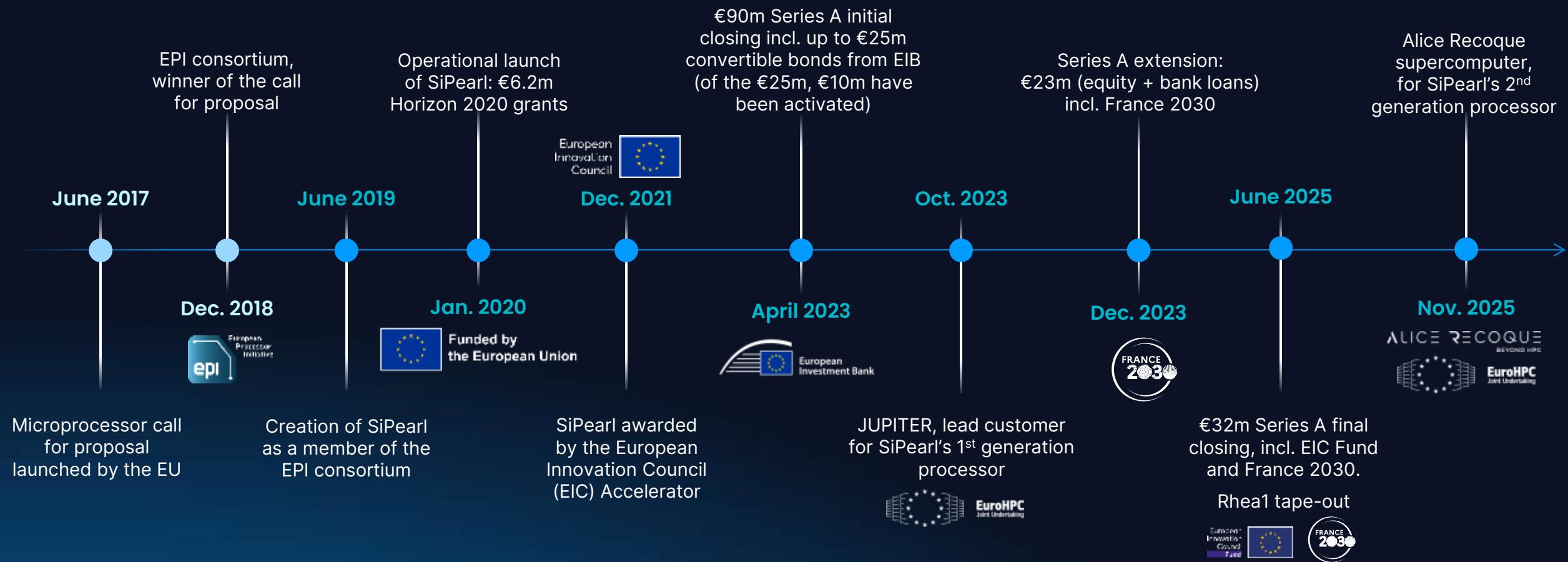


## 1st tape-out done

June 2025

# From a European Union concern to SiPearl's ramp-up

Our common goal: fostering the return of high-end processor technologies in Europe



# A world-class "Processor Team"

## Leadership



**Philippe Notton**  
CEO & Founder

Atos ST Microelectronics



**Ying-Chih Yang**  
Chief Scientist Officer

Atos ST Microelectronics

### Human Resources



**Laure Perfetti**  
HR Director

ST

### Engineering



**Gaël Paul**  
Senior VP Engineering

Accelezy PLDA

### Finance



**Jean-Luc Gilbert**  
Group CFO & IR

Aledia BRITVIC ST

### Research & Development



**Vincent Casillas**  
Chief Technology Officer

Valeo ST

### Sales & Marketing



**Craig Prunty**  
VP Marketing

MARVELL CAMBIVI

### International Dev. & Public Affairs



**Anna Riverola**  
International Dev. & Public Affairs Director  
Country Manager - Spain

## Board



**Ian Jenks**  
Chairman

Paysafe Smartkem

Members representing

arm

EVIDEN  
an atos business

European  
Innovation  
Council

European  
Investment  
Bank

bpifrance  
FRANCE 2030

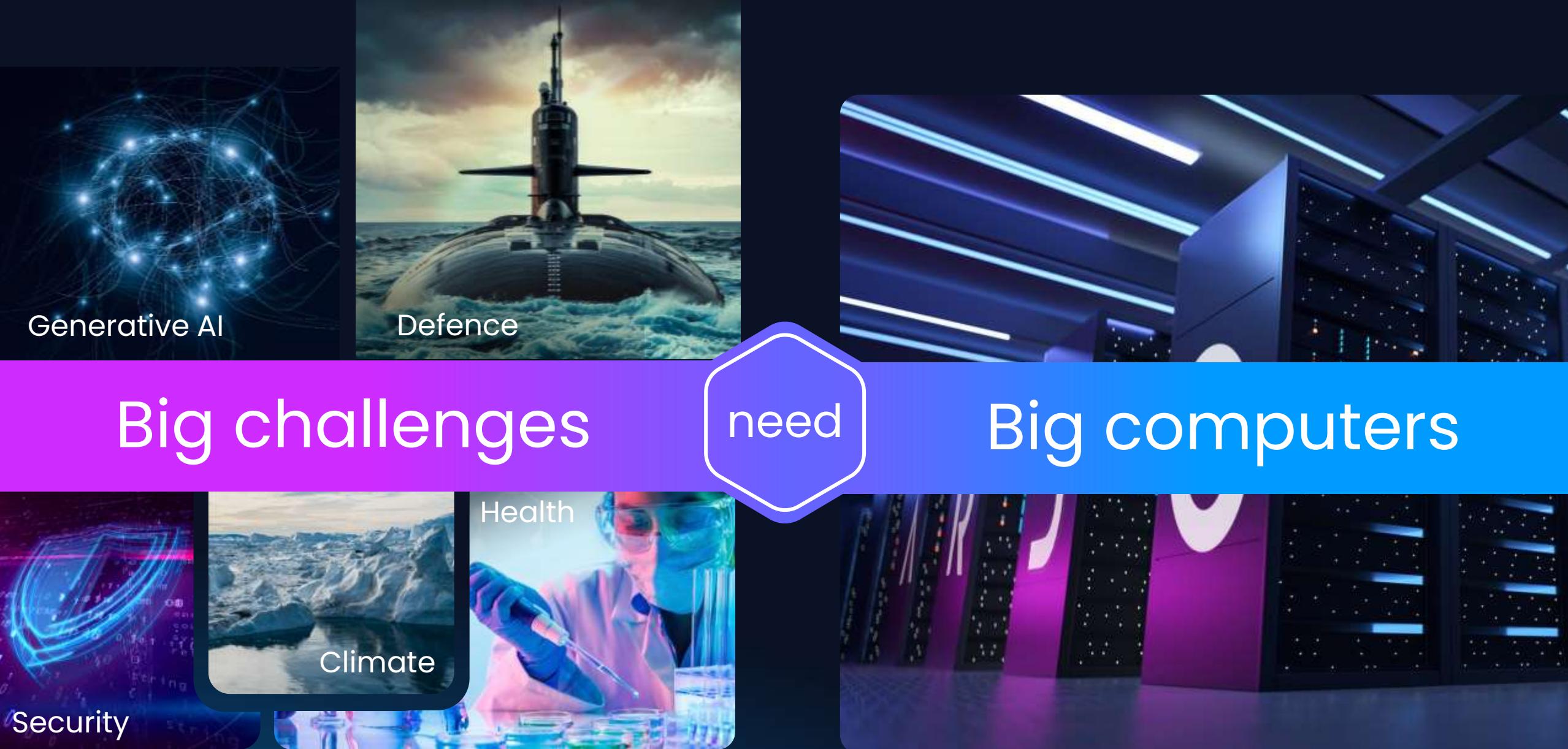
Jean-Michel Deligny  
Advisor to SiPearl CEO



# A huge market

Strengthening Europe  
sovereignty





Supercomputers and data centres are essential to address strategic scientific societal and environmental challenges.

# Our role: Strengthening Europe sovereignty

No European sovereignty without European hardware

**TODAY** A dramatic situation for Europe

A complex geopolitical context

Europe's strategic data are processed by non-European processors.

Huge impact on:

- Security
- Safety
- Competitiveness
- Sovereignty

Europe's supercomputers

Europe's data centres, AI, cloud & defence

**TOMORROW**  
SiPearl's processors will fuel:



EuroHPC  
Joint Undertaking

# Supercomputers: Europe has 148 of the global Top 500<sup>(1)</sup>

5 machines in the TOP10



## No4: JUPITER Booster – Germany

(1 exaflop)  EuroHPC

## No6: HPC6 – Italy

(478 petaflops)

## No8: Alps – Switzerland

(435 petaflops)

## No9: LUMI – Finland

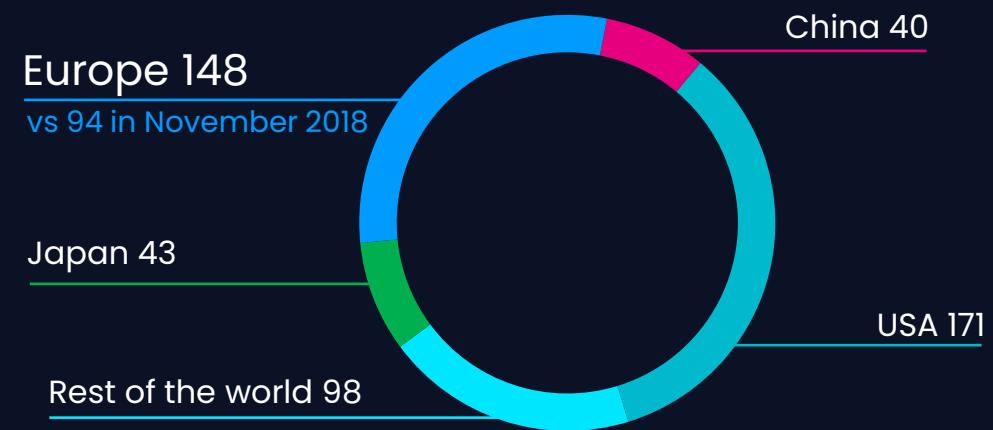
(380 petaflops)

## No10: LEONARDO – Italy

(241 petaflops)

A rising demand  
for supercomputers in Europe

Since the launch of EuroHPC in 2018  
+ 54 European supercomputers in the TOP500<sup>(1)</sup>



# Supercomputers: Europe significantly greener than the US

TOP10 – Green500  
Supercomputers



#1

**KAIROS**

**73.28** Gflops/W

CALMIP / University of Toulouse  
CNRS  
France

**EVIDEN**

3,046 TFlop/s  
46.18 kW

#2

**ROMEO-2025**

**70.91** Gflops/W

ROMEO HPC Center  
Champagne-Ardenne  
France

**EVIDEN**

9,863 TFlops  
160.16 kW

#3

**Levante** (GPU extension)

**69.43** Gflops/W

DKRZ - Deutsches  
Klimarechenzentrum  
Germany

**EVIDEN**

6,747 TFlops  
109.78 kW

**JUPITER booster** EuroHPC Joint Undertaking

The most energy-efficient exascale machine

**63.32**  
Gflops/W

**JÜLICH**  
Forschungszentrum  
 **EVIDEN**  
 **ParTec**  
REINFORCED COMPUTING



**El Capitan**   
**60.94** Gflops/W



**Frontier**   
**54.98** Gflops/W



**Aurora**   
**26.15** Gflops/W



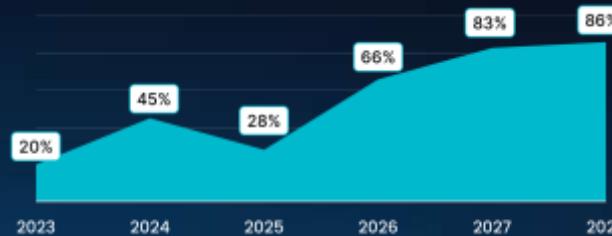
# Europe: Sovereign hardware as a must

## A promising momentum

### Expanding needs / applications



### AI: Inference outpacing training



Source: Boston Consulting Group

AI: Processors are well suited to inference and essential for managing GPUs' inputs/outputs for training.

## A new, highly favorable context

**US AI chips export control tightened :**  
a push for homegrown hardware  
→ Jan. 25, restrictions for 17 EU countries  
→ Sept. 25, GAIN AI Act initiative

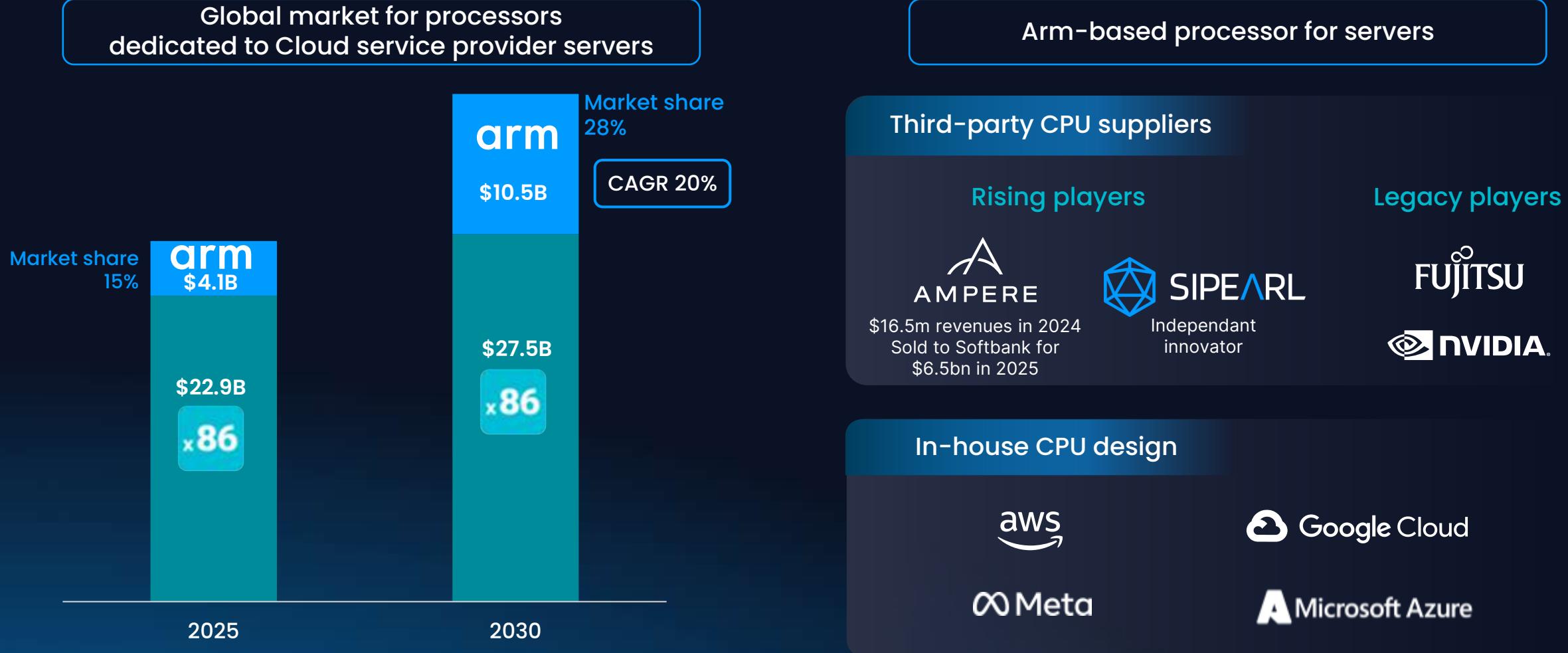
**US rules on access to strategic European data:**  
Sovereign cloud and giga data centres initiatives  
→ Eurostack Initiative  
→ 1 GW data centres

**Europe of defence since the new US administration:**  
strategic independence is a must  
→ Dramatical increase of EU defence spending targets: from 2% to 5% of GDP  
→ Canada's deal strengthening European defence & security partnership

**AI, a global fierce race that Europe can't afford to lose:**  
major public funding announcements  
→ Invest AI (EU): €200bn / France: €109bn  
→ EuroHPC JU AI factories program: AION Consortium

**Nvidia GPU security:**  
Suspicions regarding  
kill switch & backdoor

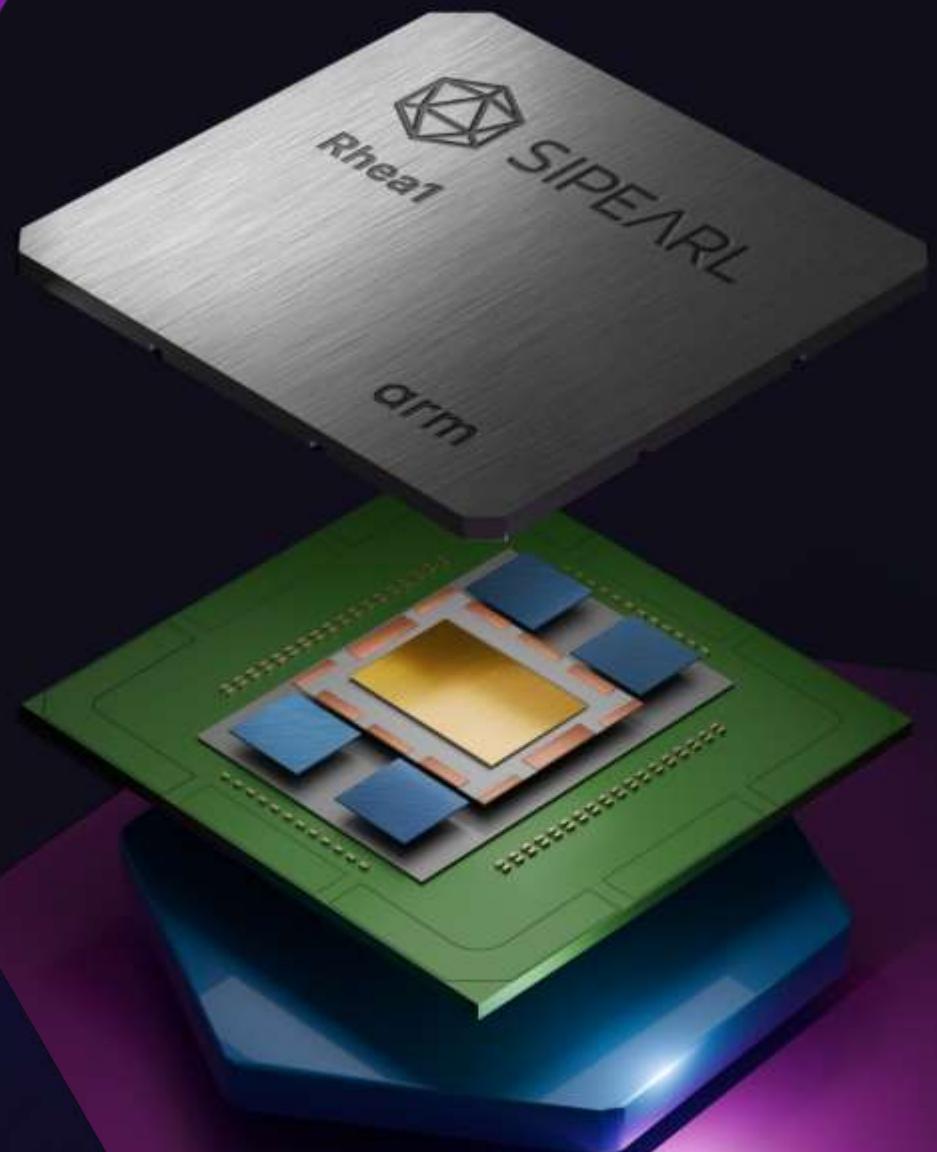
# SiPearl, the world's only independent Arm-based processors provider





# Product

Rheal, the most complex processor ever designed in Europe



# Rheal, the 1<sup>st</sup> high-performance European processor



## High Performance

To surpass the performance of 10,000,000 desktop computers



## Energy-efficiency

Significant energy savings thanks to Arm-based architecture



## Flexibility

Designed to work with any third-party accelerator (GPU, artificial intelligence, quantum)



## Backdoor-free & kill switch free security

Fully auditable to protect data with secure end-to-end network transmission.



## Software ecosystem

Arm mature software ecosystem



## Sovereignty

To strengthen Europe's technological leadership and independence

- Currently in production at TSMC in Taiwan
- Available for sampling in early 2026

# RHEA V1

The most complex processor  
ever designed in Europe

SILICON  
PROCESS 6 nm  
TSMC N6



## LOGIC DIE IN ADVANCED SILICON PROCESS

80 arm®  
Neoverse V1  
cores<sup>(1)</sup>

+61 billion  
transistors

7.8 billion  
equ. gates

16 metal  
layers

6 PCIe x16  
Gen5

2 PCIe x4  
Gen5

4 DDR5  
interfaces

80 MB  
distributed  
SLC

## SILICON INTERPOSER

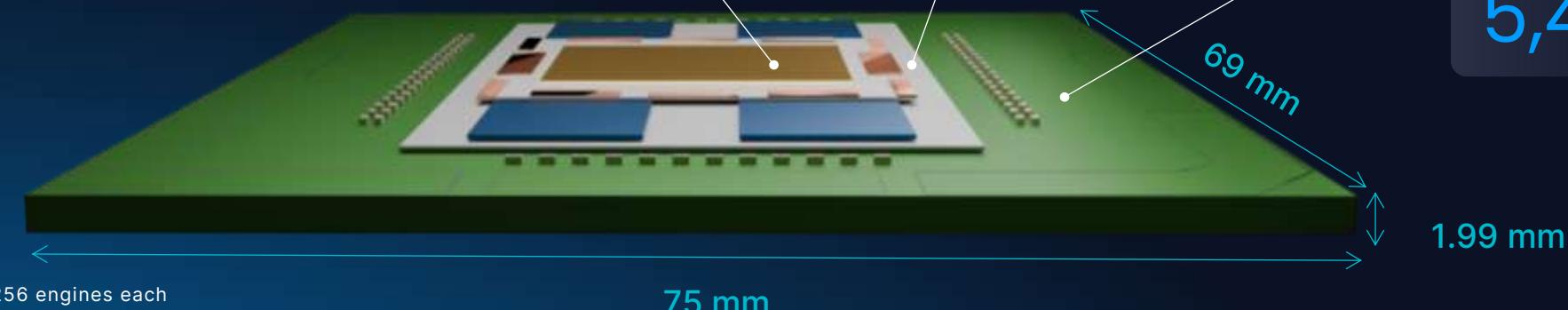
2.5D advanced  
packaging

4 HBM  
4x16=64GB



## PACKAGE

5,430 pins



# Rheal, key features

**High performance per watt**

Arm ISA power efficiency

**Very high memory bandwidth**

Built-in HBM

- Ideal performances for AI inference

Unique memory architecture: High Byte/Flops

**Openess**

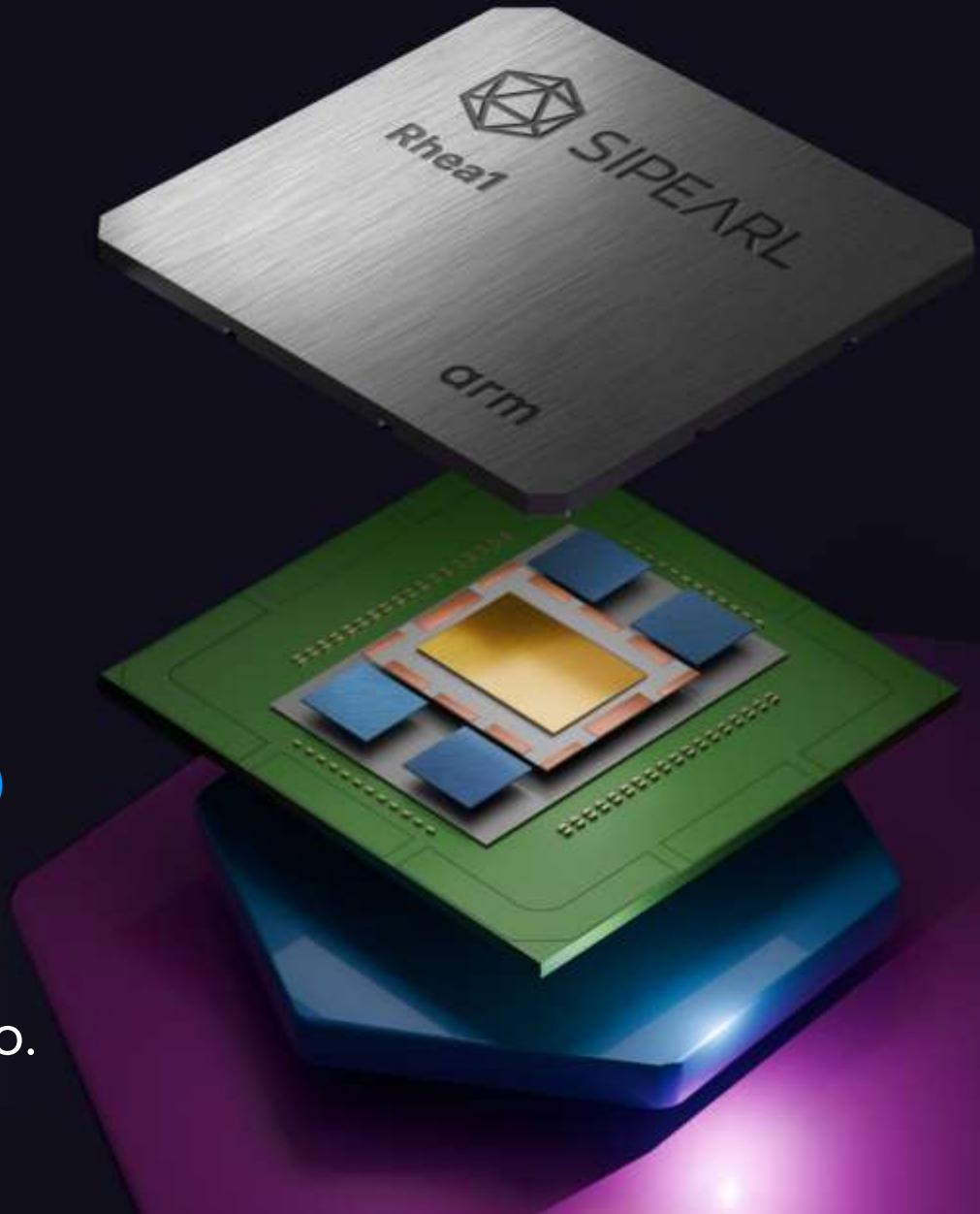
Arm ecosystem from IoT/edge to HPC and cloud

**Fully auditable**

Backdoor-free & kill switch free security

**Compliant with most of proven accelerators (AMD, Intel, Nvidia)**

Rheal will deliver extraordinary performance & efficiency with an unmatched Byte/Flops ratio.





# Series A

Closing in July 25



# SiPearl's total financing since its launch



# First two tranches of Series A, worth €98m (1/2)

What we managed to build

## World-class processor team

Unique expertise & know-how in...

### Hardware

Architecture, SoC & IP Engineering, System Validation and System Hardware Design

to design Best-in-Class high-performance energy-efficient processors

### Software

Software Engineering and Performance Engineering

to get the most out of all the most demanding supercomputing and AI workloads

## Sovereign design & data centres

located in northern France

**317** servers

221 in Eppes / 96 in Reims

14,000 CPU

212TB RAM

**55** networks (Data centres)

Switch / firewall

**48** storage

26 storage / 22 synology

3PB

**5** backup servers

Cohesity & Veritas technologies  
Eppes & Reims



# Series A 1<sup>st</sup> two tranches, worth €98m (2/2)

What we managed to build

**A well-known and recognized company**

at world level

Strong ecosystem in Europe thanks to involvement in flagship projects

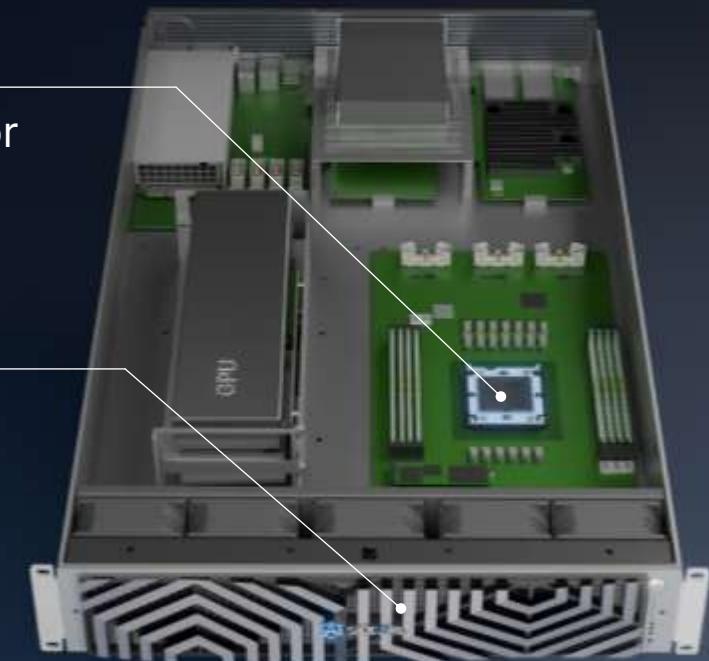
Commercial partnerships with global leaders

Political and financial support from Europe & France

JUPITER as first commercial award

**A first product,**  
the most complex processor ever designed in Europe

**and its associated reference design server,**  
Seine Reference Server



Available in cloud mode  
in April 2026

# Last round of Series A, worth €32m, in June 2025 (1/2)

To support the industrialization phase of Rhea1



To accelerate R&D activities for the launch of next-generation products that will meet the needs of supercomputing and new market segments



# Last round of Series A, worth €32m, in June 2025 (2/2)

Strengthening long-standing ties with Taiwan

OUR ROOTS: MSTAR  
ACQUIRED BY MEDIATEK



**Philippe Notton**  
CEO & Founder

Nine years of his career at

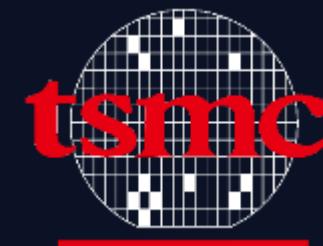


**Ying-Chih Yang**  
Chief Scientist Officer  
*French-Taiwanese*  
Former Senior Director  
CTO   **SUNPLUS**



**Wayne Liang**  
Independent Director  
Co-founder  


SEMICONDUCTOR  
ECOSYSTEM



Manufacturing entrusted  
since the beginning

PRIVATE EQUITY FIRM OWNED BY ONE OF THE  
LARGEST FINANCIAL HOLDING IN TAIWAN



**國泰創投**  
Cathay Venture

- Founded in April 2003.
- Under Cathay Financial Holding Co., Ltd, one of the largest financial services groups in asset size in Taiwan.
- Evergreen Fund with flexible mandate that allows to invest in seed, growth, late-stage companies.
- Focus: semiconductors, AI, LEO and other verticals with growth potential.

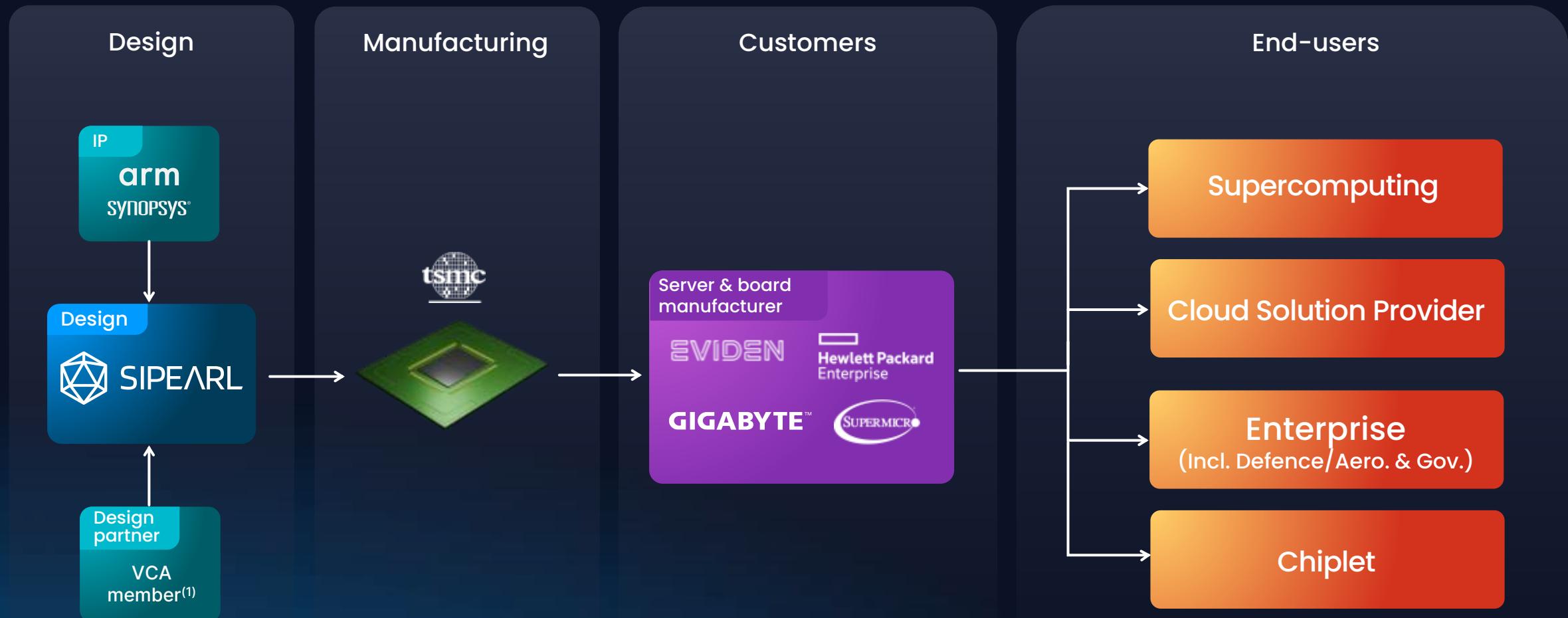
1st investment in France



# Outlook

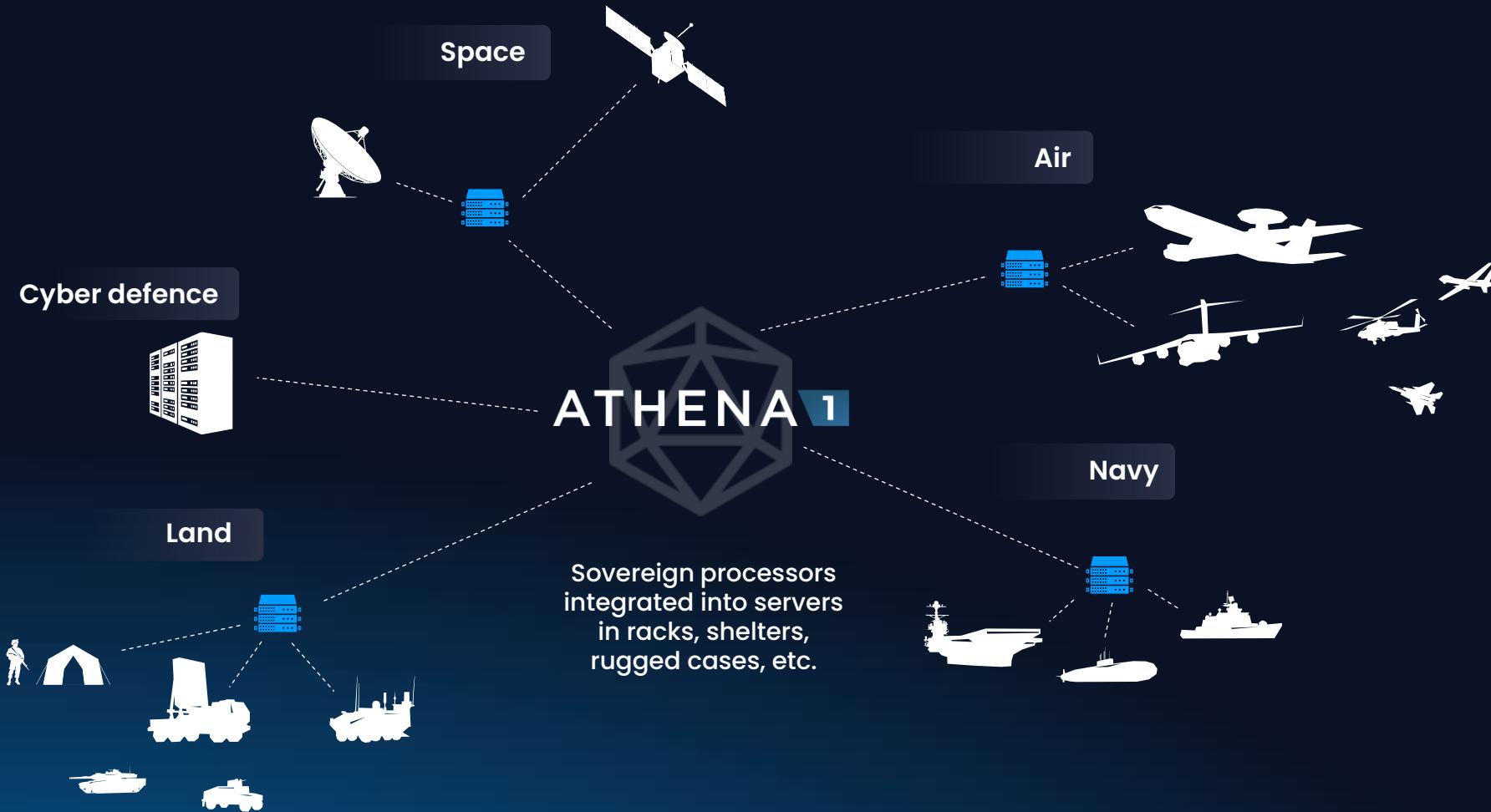


# SiPearl's go-to-market is a push-pull via server providers



# A new product enhancing the work done for Rheal (1/2)

Our technology for HPC applied to the defence sector



## Applications

Secure communications & intelligence

- Cyber security
- Intelligence processing
- Tactical networks

Electronic warfare & cyber defence

- Jamming systems
- Electronic detection & countermeasures
- Cyber defence

Simulation and training

## Challenges & issues to be addressed

Security and integrity

Computing power and miniaturization

# A new product enhancing the work done for Rheal (2/2)

## ATHENA 1

Dual-use processor

European technology

SKUs of 16, 32, 48, 64 or 80  
Arm Neoverse V1 cores

New packaging

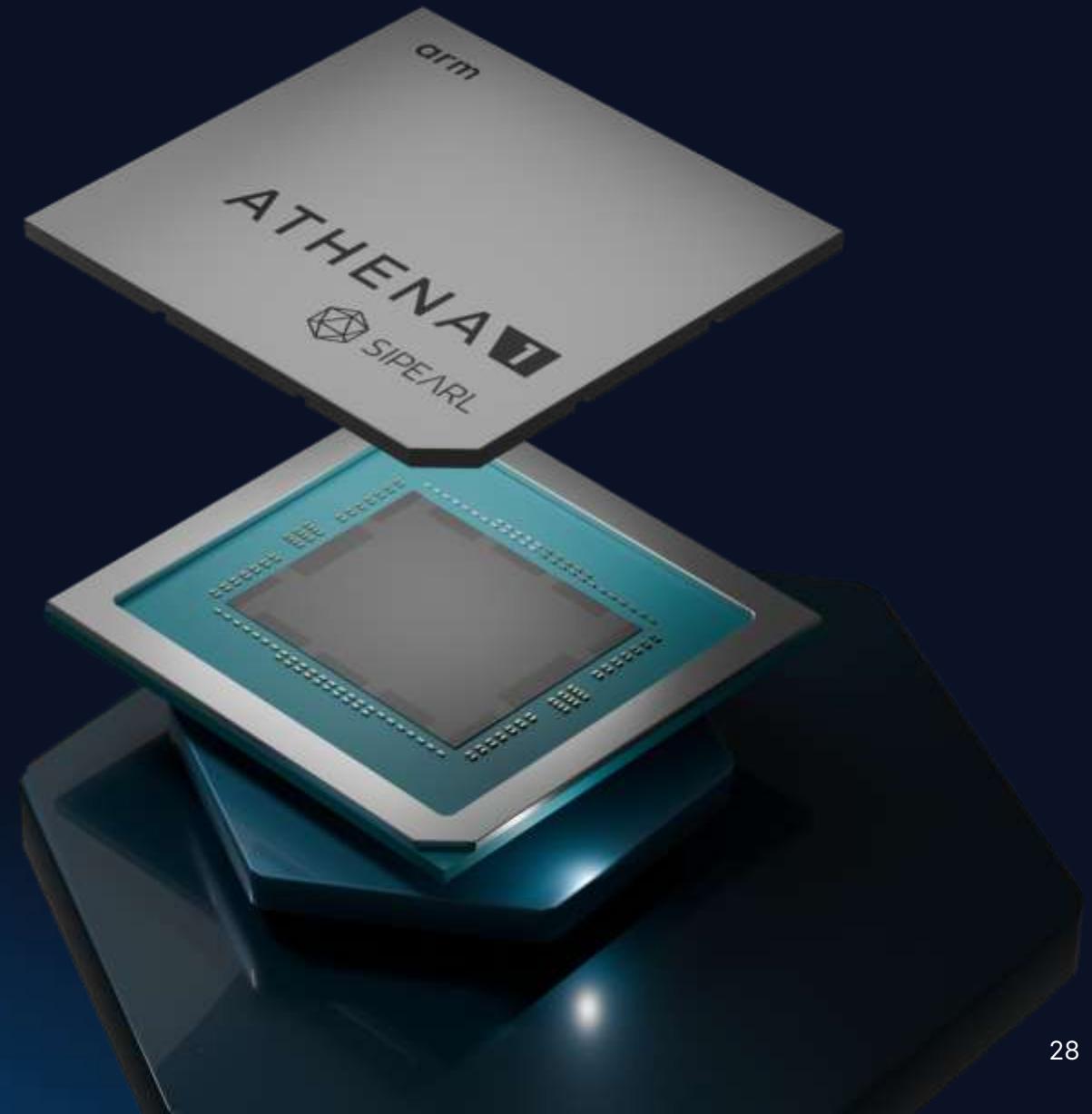
No HBM

Government

Defence

Aerospace

Release: H2 2027



# A go-to-market strategy focused on dual-use (1/2)

Civilian use: Rheal will equip...

JUPITER, 1<sup>st</sup> major award



European projects



Sovereign Cloud



AER



Higher



OpenCUBE



Sovereign Centres of Excellence



EXCELLERAT P2

Highly complex engineering



MAX DRIVING THE EXASCALE TRANSITION

Materials modeling & simulations



ODISSEE

Using AI to process gigantic volumes of data (dark matter for instance)



Plasma simulations

# A go-to-market strategy focused on dual-use (2/2)

Defence-use: Ideal customers

Land  
**Indra**  
RHEINMETALL  
**SAFRAN**



Space  
**AIRBUS**  
DEFENCE & SPACE  
**LEONARDO**  
**THALES**



Air  
**BAE SYSTEMS**  
**DASSAULT**  
AVIATION  
**SAAB**



Navy  
**FINCANTIERI**  
**Helsing**  
**MBDA**  
MISSILE SYSTEMS



SiPearl is everywhere sovereign advanced compute needs to be.

## About... SiPearl

SiPearl is the European fabless designer of sovereign high-performance energy-efficient processors for HPC, AI and data centres. These processors will help address strategic challenges in the fields of security, defence, medical research, energy, climate and engineering with a reduced environmental footprint.

SiPearl completed the design of the most complex processor ever designed in Europe, Rhea1. Featuring 80 Arm Neoverse V1 cores, with 61 billion transistors, it is currently in production at TSMC and will be available for sampling in early 2026. Sipearl processors will equip both European exascale supercomputers owned by EuroHPC JU: Rhea1 will be integrated into the JUPITER machine based in Germany and Rhea2 will be part of Alice Recoque which will be located in France.

Incubated within the European Processor Initiative (EPI) consortium and seed-funded by the European Union, SiPearl employs 200 people in France, Spain, and Italy. Following a €130 million Series A, the company is launching its Series B round.

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