

Conditions for use of resources and services at UPPMAX

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These conditions apply to the use of resources and services at Uppsala Multidisciplinary Center for Scientific Computing (UPPMAX).

General

In this document the word project refers to the allocation of resources or services, such as computational time and storage area. Each allocation has a project name, which may be based on a registration number. The conditions in this document are mandatory to receiving a user account and access to resources and services at UPPMAX.

Access

Normally, membership in one or more project is required to access UPPMAX resources and services via a user account. Membership in a project is granted by a principal investigator or a proxy for the principal investigator. Those who are not members in a project require a special permit to gain access to UPPMAX resources. This also applies when providing a third party with such access, for example via grid or cloud services.

User account

A user account is strictly personal and shall not be used by anyone else besides the user. That is to say, it is prohibited to provide account access to anyone else or to use anyone else's access information.

Passwords

All passwords shall be confidential and handled securely to prevent other parties from gaining access. This means they should not be written down and, if stored electronically, must be protected by an additional layer of encryption and password.

If there is any suspicion that another party might have knowledge of a password, it shall be replaced immediately. Passwords shall be unique and, when possible, varied for different systems.

Keys, certificates and other means of authentication shall be handled as securely as Passwords.

Connection

To use UPPMAX resources and services, connection shall be made using a secure method, as recommended by UPPMAX.

Connection shall only be made from a computer with a good level of security, that is to say a computer that is kept updated and that does not contain any viruses, trojans or other malicious software.

Connection shall not be made from a country subject to Swedish exports restrictions for goods and technology, including software.

Usage

UPPMAX resources and services shall only be used for activities for which the project in question has been granted resources.

Consideration

Many resources are shared by several users. When using these, consideration must be given to the other users of the resources. Instructions from persons representing UPPMAX.

Acknowledgement

All use of UPPMAX resources and services shall be suitably acknowledged. When such use results in publication, this shall be acknowledged in each publication according to the template included with the resource allocation approval.

Expired projects

Projects have a limited duration. UPPMAX erases all data in storage areas connected to expired projects after a waiting period of 90 days. UPPMAX also has the right to remove user accounts, and associated data, for users no longer belonging to any valid project, after a waiting period of six months.

Monitoring and consequences

UPPMAX retains the right to monitor and log all usage of, and access to, the resources and services provided; the purpose of this being to ensure security and verify that regulations are observed.

Users who discover or suspect security vulnerabilities or abuse shall report these to UPPMAX immediately. Users and user accounts under investigation for rule violations can be temporarily suspended with immediate effect.

Depending on the type of infringement and previous offences, measures taken against a user found to have broken the rules can amount to anything from a reprimand to a withdrawal of access to resources and services at UPPMAX. Depending on the type of infringement and previous offences, measures taken against a user found to have broken the rules can amount to anything from a reprimand to a withdrawal of access to resources and services at UPPMAX

Suspicion of breach of the law can lead to a report to the police. Other legal measures, such as bringing an action for damages, can also be taken.