



# Bring your code to RISC-V accelerators with SYCL

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Established 2002 in  
**Edinburgh, Scotland.**

Grown successfully to around  
100 employees.

In 2022, we became a **wholly  
owned subsidiary** of Intel.



Committed to expanding the  
**open ecosystem** for  
heterogeneous computing.

Through our involvement in  
oneAPI and SYCL  
governance, we help to  
**maintain and develop** open  
standards.



Developing at the forefront  
of **cutting-edge research.**

Currently involved in two  
research projects - **SYCLOPS**  
and **AERO**, both funded by  
the Horizon Europe Project.

# What is SYCL and oneAPI?

and why is it necessary?

# The Demand for Multiple Architectures

Data-centric computing continues to rise in demand, driven by the exponential growth in generative AI and accelerated computing

This work requires increasingly efficient performance, with workloads now spread across new and diverse hardware – GPUs, CPUs, FPGAs and specialist AI accelerators, including **RISC-V**

48% of developers target heterogeneous systems that use more than one kind of processor or core<sup>1</sup>

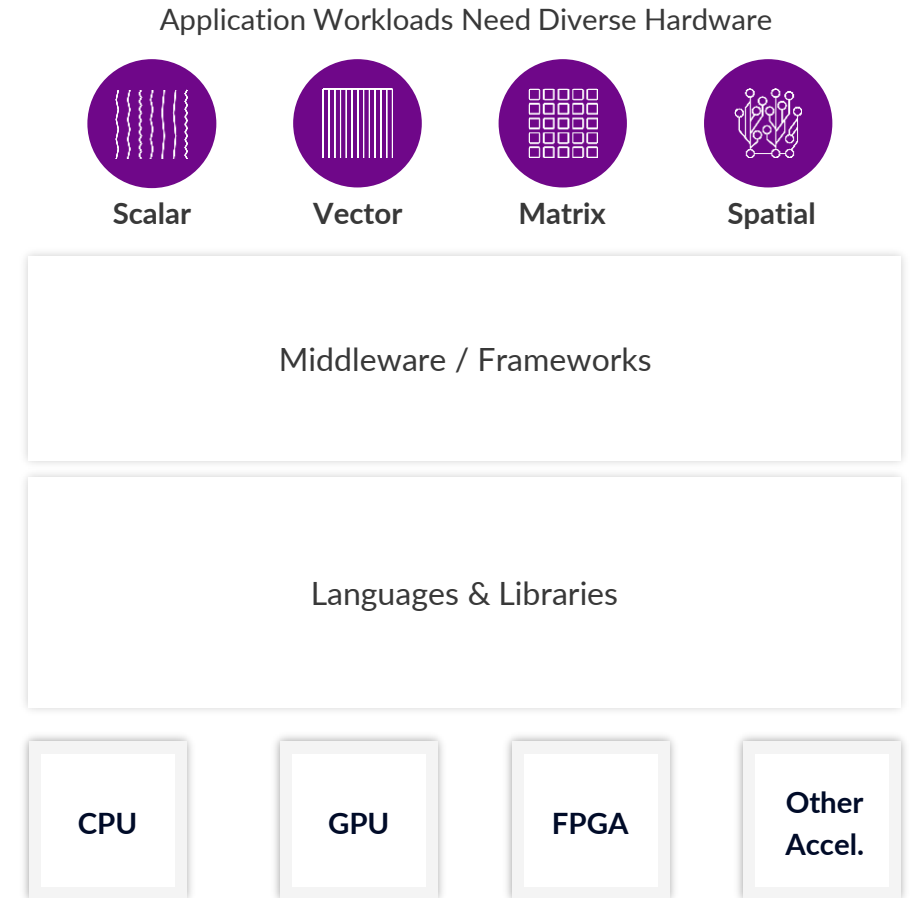
<sup>1</sup> Evans Data Global Development Survey Report 22.1, June 2022



# The Challenges of Multiple Architectures

This rising demand for diverse hardware creates several challenges

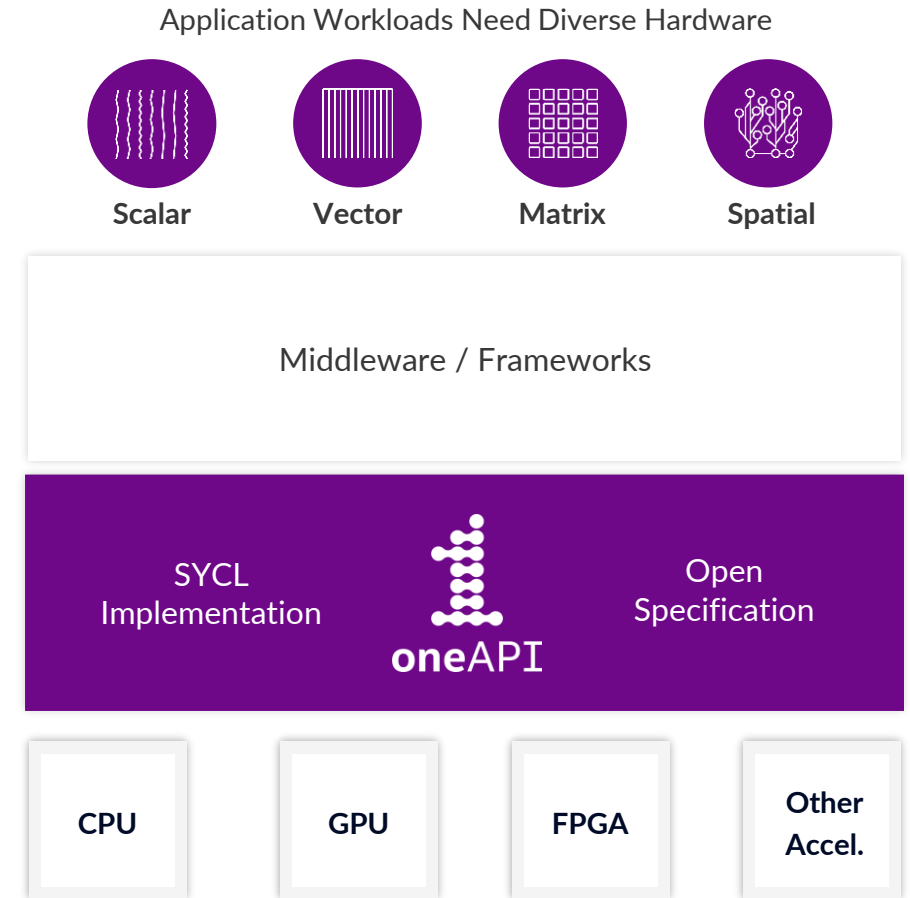
- No common programming language or APIs
- Inconsistent tool support across platforms
- Each platform requires unique software investment



# Introducing oneAPI

Unified programming to simplify development across diverse architectures

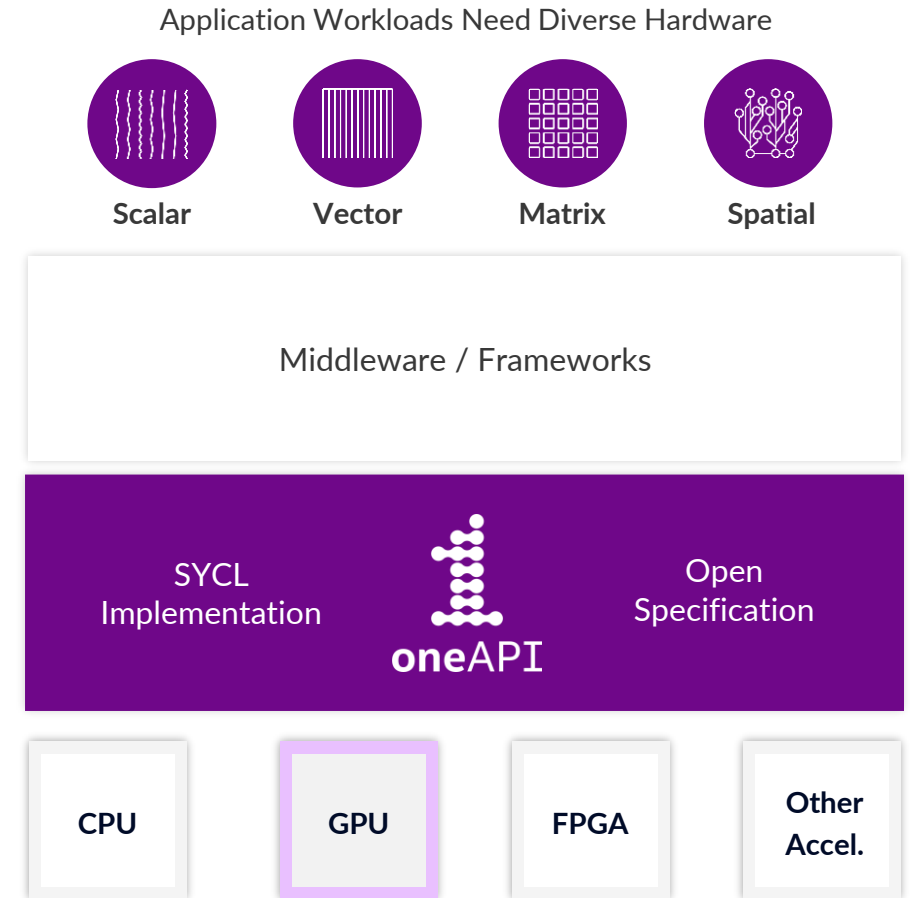
- Unified and simplified language and libraries for expressing parallelism
- Uncompromised native high-level language performance
- Based on ISO C++ and the Khronos-maintained, SYCL open standard
- Interoperable with existing HPC programming models



# oneAPI for NVIDIA and AMD GPUs

Codeplay's plugins add support for **NVIDIA** and **AMD** GPUs to the Intel oneAPI Base Toolkit

Develop code using SYCL and run on AMD, Intel and NVIDIA GPUs

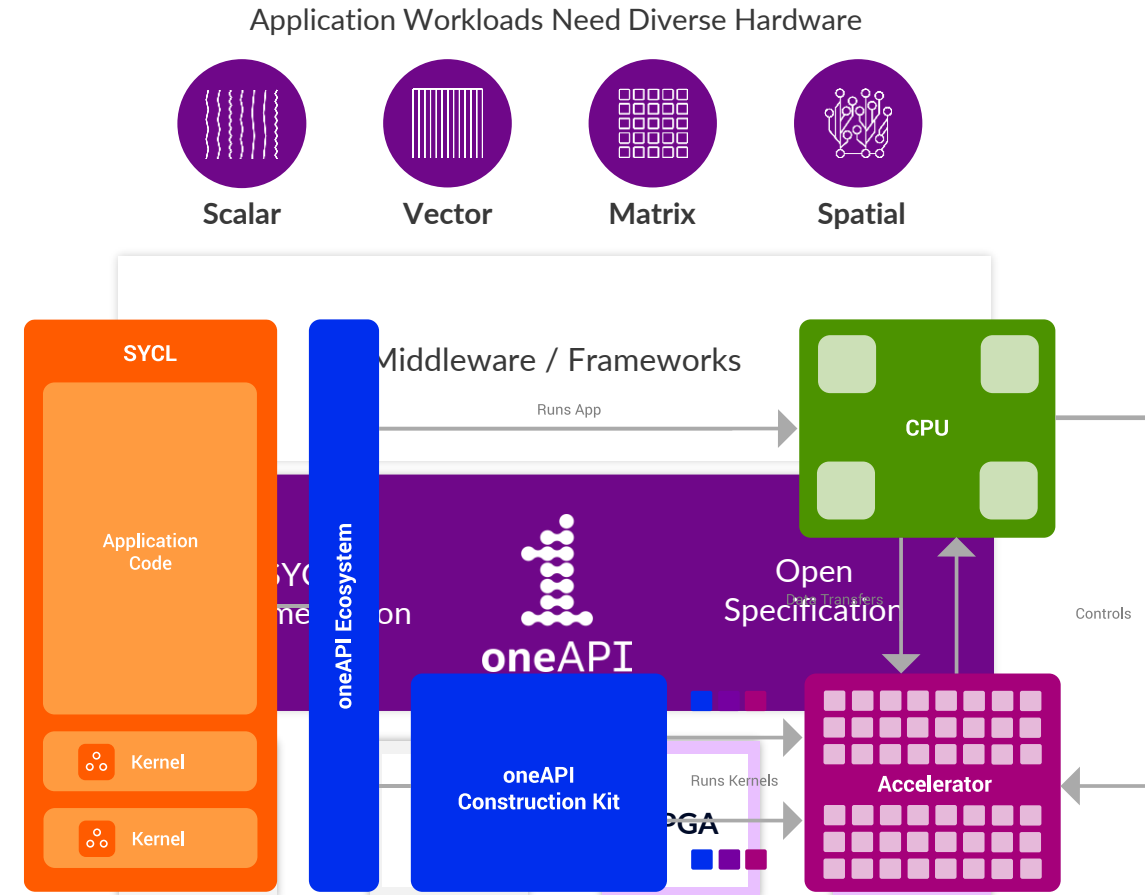


# The oneAPI Construction Kit

The oneAPI Construction Kit brings **SYCL** and **oneAPI** to new and specialist accelerators - such as **RISC-V**

The oneAPI Construction Kit works by enabling the CPU to **offload compute-intensive kernels** to the **custom accelerator**

This is done with a **single, open standards programming language, SYCL**





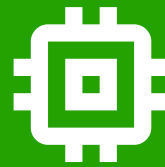
# The oneAPI Construction Kit & RISC-V

bringing open standards to new hardware

# Vision of the oneAPI Construction Kit



Open-Standards,  
Driven by Industry  
Collaboration



Enable SYCL and  
oneAPI for your  
RISC-V Accelerator

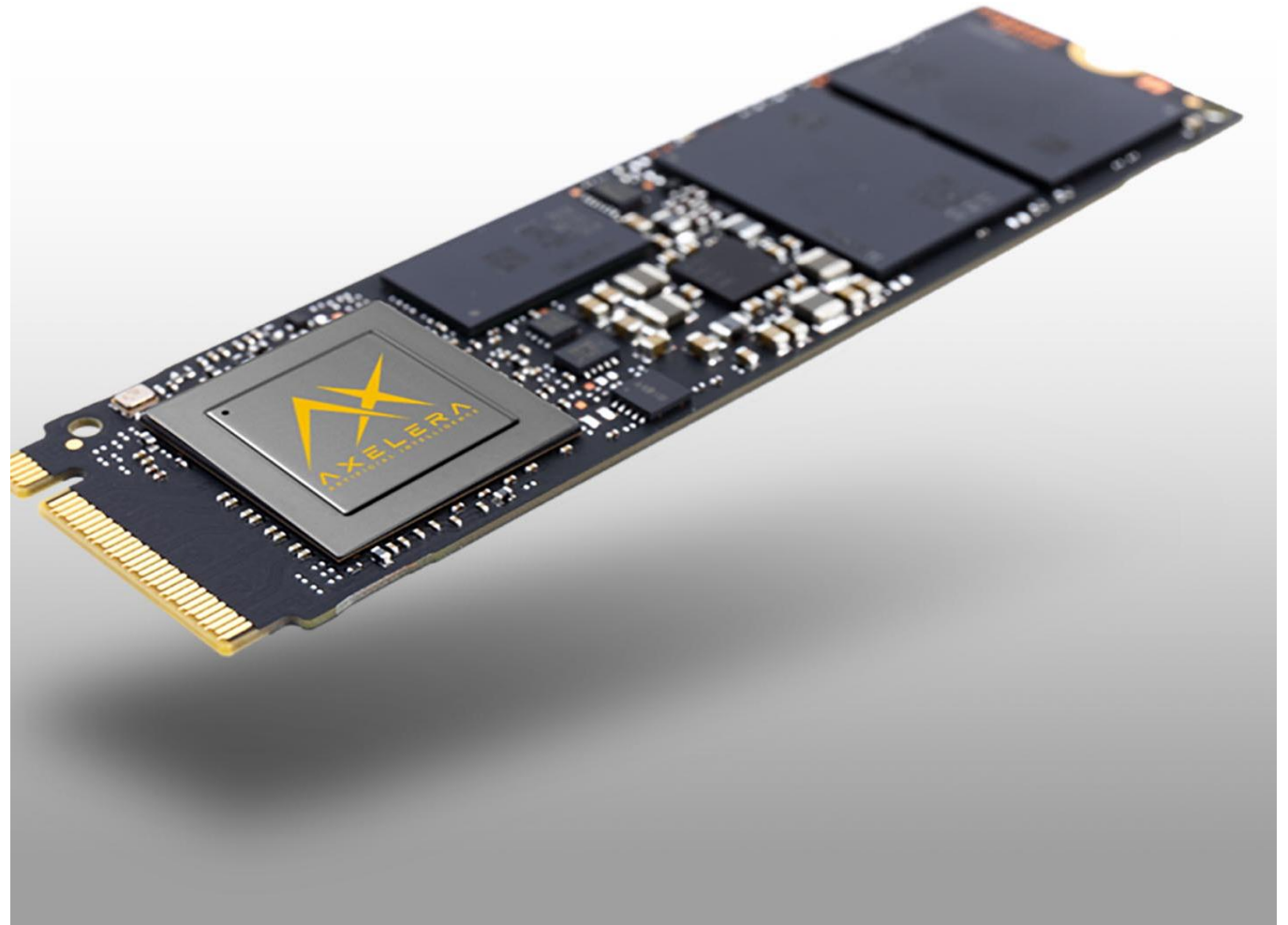


Take Advantage of a  
Huge Existing  
Ecosystem

# Case Study

## The Metis AIPU

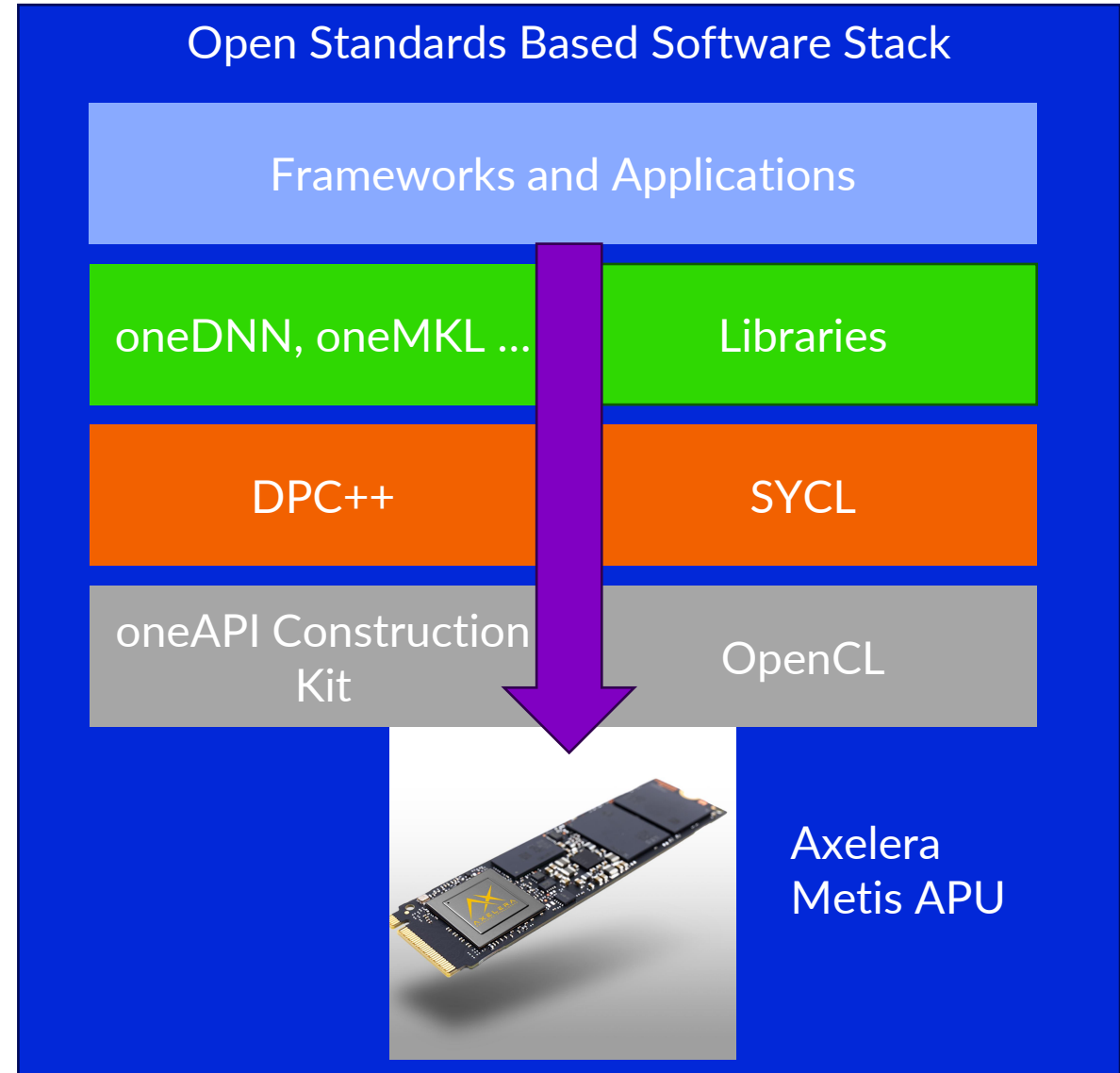
- AI accelerator processor from Axelera
- Designed for edge computing
- Embracing open standards for programming

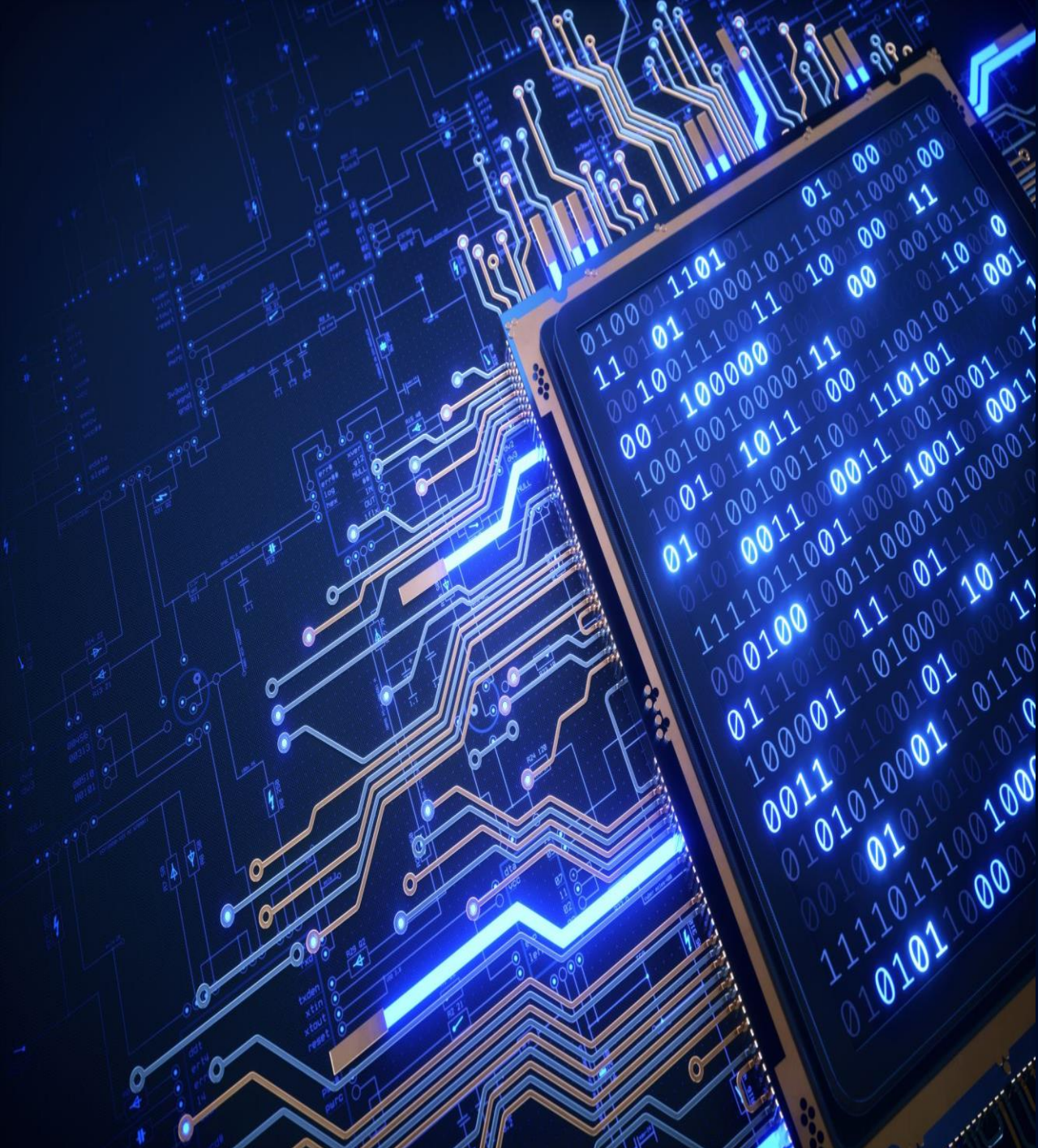


# Open Standards Software

The oneAPI Construction kit provides the foundations to enable a software ecosystem

- Direct parallel programming in C++ with SYCL
- Optimized libraries for commonly used domains such as BLAS, Fourier Transform and neural networks
- Frameworks and Applications can be used without minimal changes





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The integration with the oneAPI Construction Kit was straightforward, making it quick and easy to bring the whole open standards oneAPI ecosystem to Metis AIPU.

**Manuel Mohr, Staff Software Engineer of Axelera**



# The Unified Acceleration Foundation

goals of the foundation, and how you can get involved

# Unified Acceleration Foundation (UXL)

## Mission

- Build a **multi-architecture multi-vendor software ecosystem** for all accelerators
- **Unify** the heterogeneous compute ecosystem **around open standards**
- Build on and expand **open source projects for accelerated computing**

Use case focus: AI, HPC, Edge AI and Edge Compute

# UXL Foundation Members

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## oneAPI Specification and Projects

- **Initial contribution:** oneAPI Specification & Open Source



**oneAPI**  
Specification



**oneDPL**  
Data  
Parallel C++ Library



**oneDNN**  
Deep Neural  
Network Library



**oneCCL**  
Collective  
Communications Library



**oneDAL**  
Data  
Analytics Library



**oneTBB**  
Threading  
Building Blocks



**oneMKL**  
Math  
Kernel Library

# Khronos Group and UXL Foundation Liaison Agreement



## UXL Foundation and Khronos Collaborate on the SYCL Open Standard for C++ Programming of AI, HPC and Safety-Critical Systems

June 10, 2024 by The Khronos Group and The UXL Foundation  sycl

In a world where AI, HPC and Safety-Critical acceleration is shifting toward heterogeneous architectures that integrate processors with different architectures from multiple vendors, the need for seamless interoperability and shared open

- Cross participation of members
- Assigned executive liaisons for Open Source and Safety Critical activities
- Exchange of requirements

# Pioneering with RISC-V & SYCL



# SYCLOPS



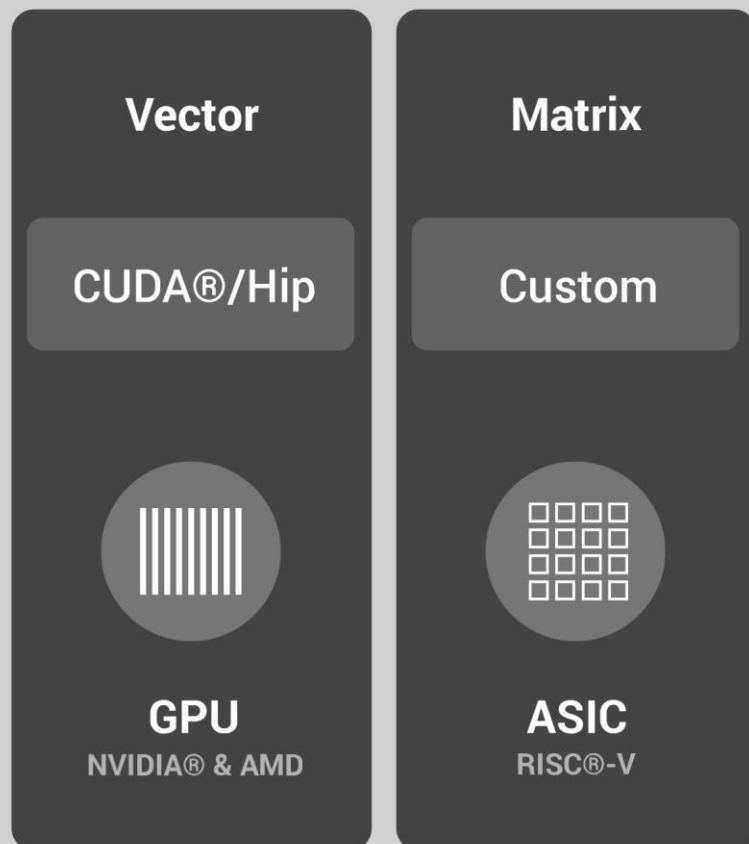
## Bringing together the SYCL and RISC-V Open Standards

The SYCLOPS Consortium



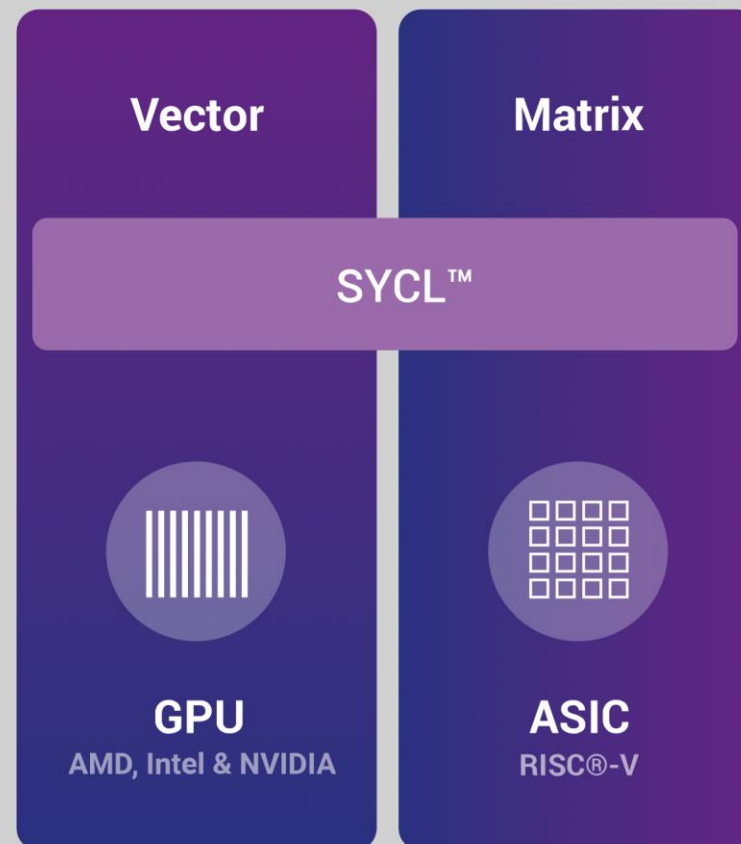
## Closed-Source

Non-portable, proprietary stacks



## Open Ecosystem

Standards-based, portable SYCLOPS Stack





# AERO

## The AERO Consortium





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