



# Poland in European and Global Research Infrastructures

Conference of Polish representatives in European and Global research infrastructures

January 16, 2025, Warsaw, Poland



**SCIENCE  
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# „Tour de table”

Presentation of Research Infrastructures

**HEALTH & FOOD**

**BBMRI ERIC**

Joanna Cybińska, Patrycja Gazińska



**Łukasiewicz**

PORT

Polish Center  
for Technology  
Development

# **Łukasiewicz Research Network – PORT Polish Center for Technology Development**

## Łukasiewicz – PORT in numbers



**3** Research Centers



**13** international Research Groups

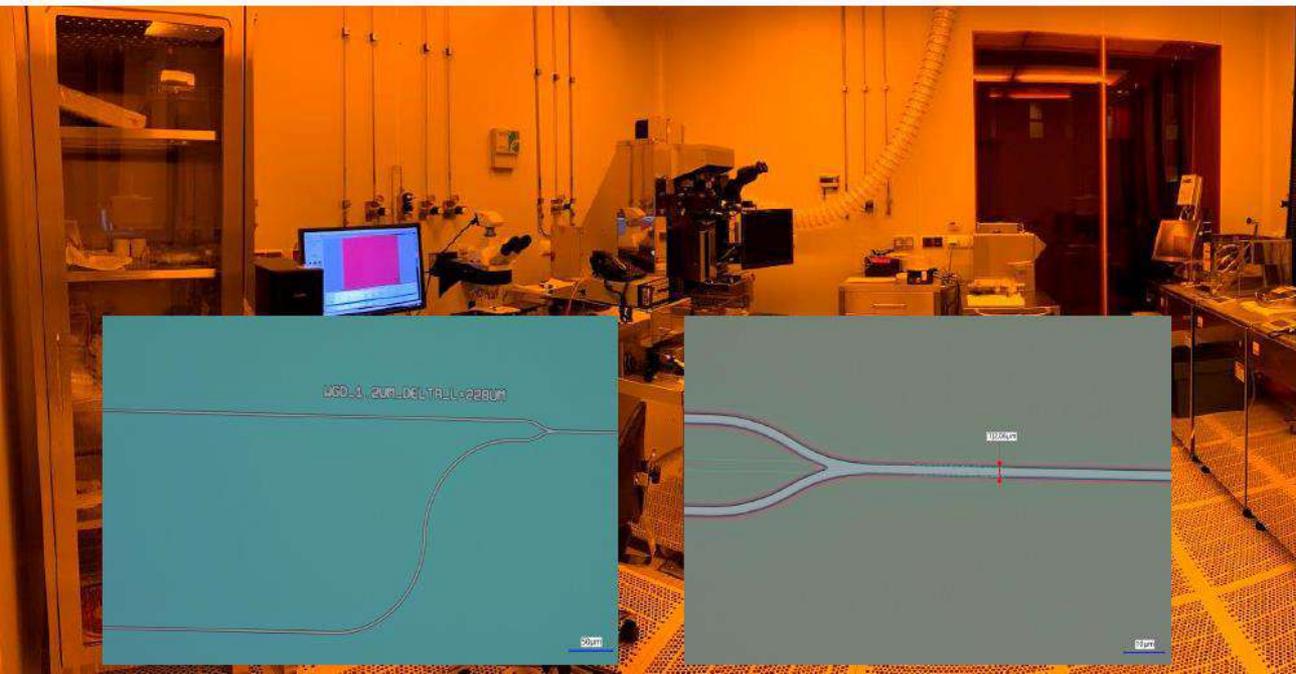


**ca. 350** research and supporting staff



## Lithography

- Optical lithography with **nanoimprint** (SÜSS MicroTecMaskAligner MA8/BA8) - mask aligner for photolithography with UV mercury lamp.
- We use it for standard lithography with positive or negative photoresists.
- We use photolithography combined with reactive ion etching (RIE, SentechPlasma ICP/RIE SI 500) for producing photonic structures such as waveguides, interferometers, etc.
- For producing more precise structures in nanoscale, for example gratings, we use electron beam lithography and electron beam direct writing.





supporting technological capacity building and innovation in the Union by bridging the gap between the Union's advanced research and innovation capabilities and their industrial exploitation

operational objectives:

1. Setting up a Design Platform
2. Enhancing existing and developing new advanced pilot lines
3. Building capacities for accelerating the development of Quantum chips and associated semiconductor technologies
4. Establishing a network of competence centres across the Union
5. Setting up a Chips Fund to facilitate access to debt financing and equity, in particular for start-ups, scale-ups, SMEs and small mid-caps

**SIEC BADAWCZA LUKASIEWICZ - INSTYTUT  
MIKROELEKTRONIKI I FOTONIKI**

**SIEC BADAWCZA LUKASIEWICZ - PORT POLSKI  
OSRODEK ROZWOJU TECHNOLOGII**

**KRAJOWA IZAB GOSPODARCZA ELEKTRONIKI I  
TELEKOMUNIKACJI**

**UNIwersytet Warszawski**

**POLITECHNIKA POZNANSKA**

**POLITECHNIKA LODZKA**

Centre of Informatics Tricity Academic Supercomputer and Network

Medical University of Gdańsk

Medical University of Białystok

Medical University of Warsaw

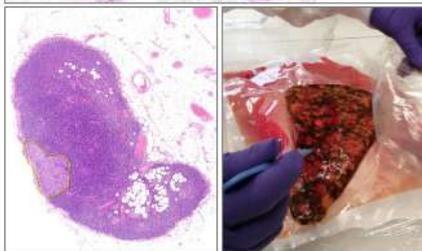
Medical University of Lublin

Łukasiewicz Research Network  
– PORT

Wrocław Medical University

University of Łódź

PI: Patrycja Gazińska PhD

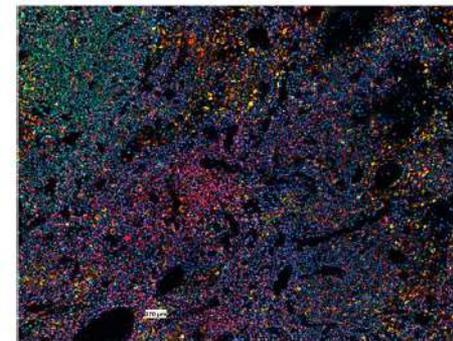


## Computational pathology

Digital scanners to convert histological slides into high-resolution digital images of tissue samples for precise analysis (cell counting and tissue segmentation)

## Spatial biology & phenotyping

Analyzing the spatial distribution and interactions of different cell types within tissue samples - deeper understanding of complex tissue microenvironments and search for novel disease biomarkers or therapeutic targets.



Integrated into collaborative research programs:

- Breast cancer research with King's College London and the Royal Marsden Hospital, UK
- Own research program focused on head & neck cancer with national clinical and academic centers
- Collaborative work within the Regional Digital Medicine Centre (Project No.2023/ABM/02/00005-00 Medical Research Agency)
- Collaborative work within the Regional Digital Medicine Centre (Project No.2023/ABM/02/00004-00 Medical Research Agency)





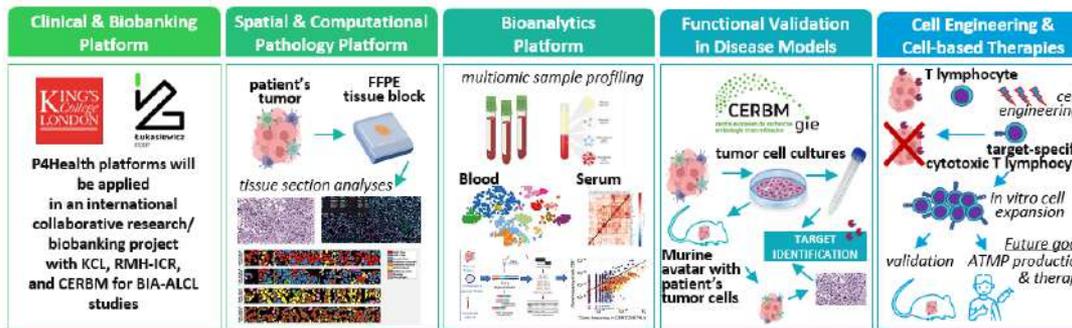
## Biobank Research Group & Section of the Biobank Medical Facility



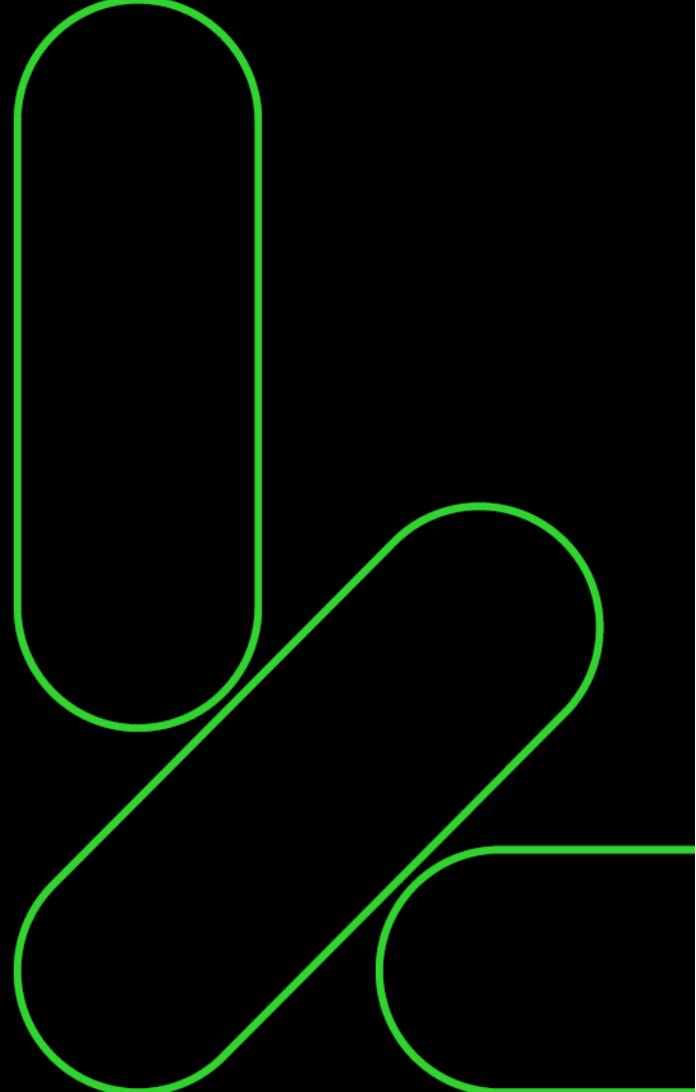
Healthcare	Clinical & Biobanking	Spatial & Computational Pathology	Bioanalytics	Functional Validation in Disease Models	Cell Engineering & Cell-based Therapies
Hospitals	Clinical Path PPIE	Digital Pathology Spatial transcriptomics Spatial proteomics	Genomics Proteomics Metabolomics	Patient-specific cancer cell lines & iPSC-derived 2D & 3D models	Genome manipulation for targeted interventions
Medical Centers	Tumor & Peri-tumour Blood / Urine / Stool	Production of new in-house antibodies	Digital Phenotyping Digital twins	PDX models Humanized mice models	Optimization of cell cultures
Clinical Trials	AI-assisted data anonymization	AI-assisted image analysis	AI-assisted data integration	AI-assisted behavioral phenotyping	AI-assisted cell modifications
Patients Volunteers	Legal aspects of material use & sharing	Legal aspects of AI use for diagnostics	Legal aspects of data availability & sharing	Legal aspects of model exchange & IP protection	Legal aspects of AI use for personalized therapy
Reference databases	Resource for innovative projects with academia & industry	New diagnostic tools & biomarkers & therapeutic targets	Complete personalized biomedical profile of disease dynamics	Personalized drug screens & disease mechanisms	Personalized therapy & ATMP production in GMP standards



Shared resources  
Increased capacity for stable collaboration  
Sustainable supply of talents & funds  
Improved law  
Better management  
Increased public awareness / Healthy Society  
Science - Informed  
Personalized Diagnosis & Treatment



**Thank you for the attention**



**ELIXIR**

Izabela Makałowska



ELIXIR - European life sciences infrastructure, rooted in bioinformatics, the science of transforming large-scale datasets into insights in the molecular and cellular sciences.

Warsaw, 16.01.2025

*Izabela Makatowska*



*Information*  
[www.elixir-europe.org](http://www.elixir-europe.org)

- 🔍 Brings together scientists from over 240 research institutes from 22 Member countries and three Observer countries
- 🔍 Coordinated by EMBL-EBI
- 🔍 Founded in December 2013
- 🔍 ELIXIR.PL is on the Polish Roadmap since 2015, currently coordinated by Adam Mickiewicz University in Poznań
- 🔍 Bridges life sciences and ICT
- 🔍 Offers:



Guidelines



Training



Web portals



Partnership with industry

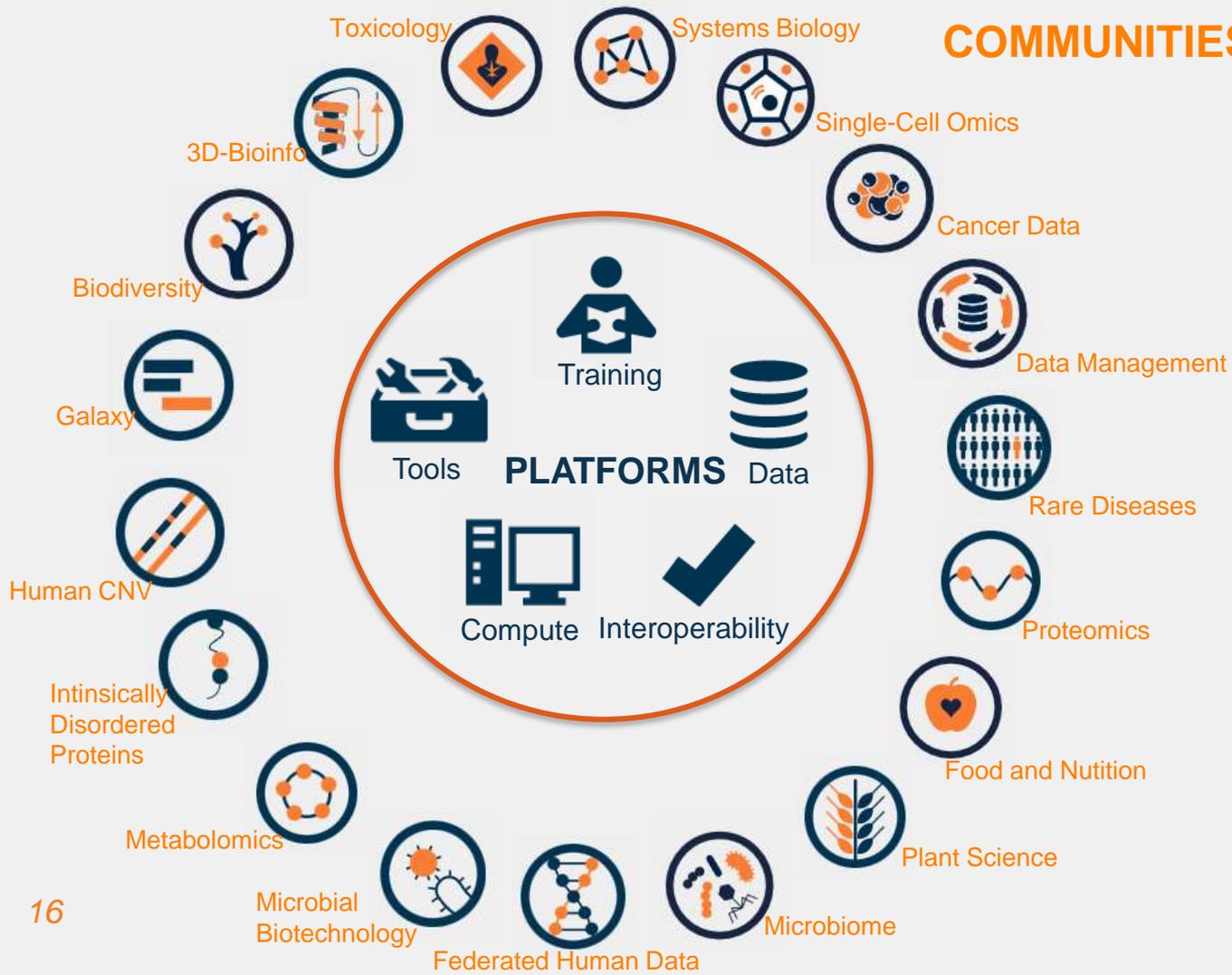


Tools



Opportunities to  
work together

# COMMUNITIES



**Euro-BioImaging ERIC**

Jędrzej Szymański

# *Polish Euro-BioImaging Node*

## *“Advanced Light Microscopy Node Poland”*

**Nencki Institute of Experimental Biology PAS, Warsaw**  
**Lider of the Polish Euro-BioImaging (EuBI) Node**

**amf.nencki.edu.pl**  
**eurobioimaging.eu**

2025.01.15

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Republic of Poland



Polish Node is supported by the project co-financed by the Minister of Education and Science based on contract No 2022/WK/05

# We unite the imaging community in Europe and globally



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ERIC MEMBERS  
(18 COUNTRIES & EMBL)



41

NATIONAL  
NODES



237

SITES IN EUROPE  
AND BEYOND



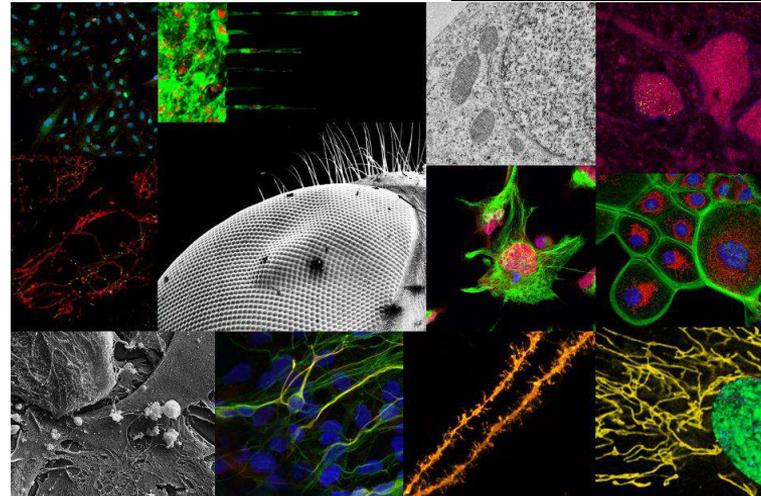
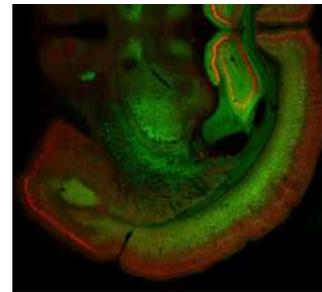
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STATE-OF-THE-ART.  
IMAGING TECHNOLOGIES



Euro-BioImaging's distributed, international infrastructure offers its services through globally recognized imaging centers called Nodes.

In 2021, Poland became a member of the Euro-BioImaging ERIC (European Research Infrastructure Consortium)



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**nencki** institute  
of experimental biology

**EURO**  **BIOIMAGING**



# EURO BIOIMAGING

EUROPE'S GATEWAY TO **BIOLOGICAL**  
& **BIOMEDICAL IMAGING**



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**EU-OPENSSCREEN ERIC**

Agnieszka Olejniczak

# **POL-OPENSSCREEN, POLISH SCREENING INFRASTRUCTURE PLATFORM FOR BIOLOGICAL CHEMISTRY EU-OPENSSCREEN ERIC**

**Open access to innovative solutions in search for biologically active  
compounds**

**Agnieszka B. Olejniczak  
Institute of Medical Biology PAS**

# POL-OPENSSCREEN is part of EU-OPENSSCREEN

## ERIC - Multinational initiative

- Distributed RI with ca. 30 partner sites
- Established in 2018
- Long-term funding from 10 member countries:  
CZ, DE, DK, ES, FI, LV, NO, PL, PT, SE
- 3 partner site categories:
  - Screening platforms
  - Chemistry groups
  - Database host
- 3-step partner site accreditation procedure:
  - Nomination of site by ministry
  - Evaluation by external experts
  - Approval of sites by all member countries, based on evaluation reports



**The Polish Screening Infrastructure Platform for Biological Chemistry, established in 2018-2023 as part of the POL-OPENSREEN project. On the Polish Roadmap since 2015. Ministerial funding for 2024-2028.**

**It includes:**

- National Library of Chemical Compounds (NLCC) and Screening Laboratory of Virology-Bacteriology (SLVB) at the Institute of Medical Biology of the Polish Academy of Sciences in Łódź**
- Chemical Biology Center (CBC) with a high-throughput screening platform (HTS) at the Institute of Bioorganic Chemistry in Poznań**
- High-throughput screening (HTS) platform *in silico*, ADME and chemical optimization at the Institute of Biochemistry and Biophysics in Warsaw**

**PHYSICAL SCIENCES & ENGINEERING**

**CTAO**

Jacek Niemiec



# CTAO

Cherenkov Telescope Array Observatory

# Cherenkov Telescope Array Observatory - ERIC

**Jacek Niemiec** for the **CTAO-PL**

Institute of Nuclear Physics Polish Academy of Sciences, Kraków

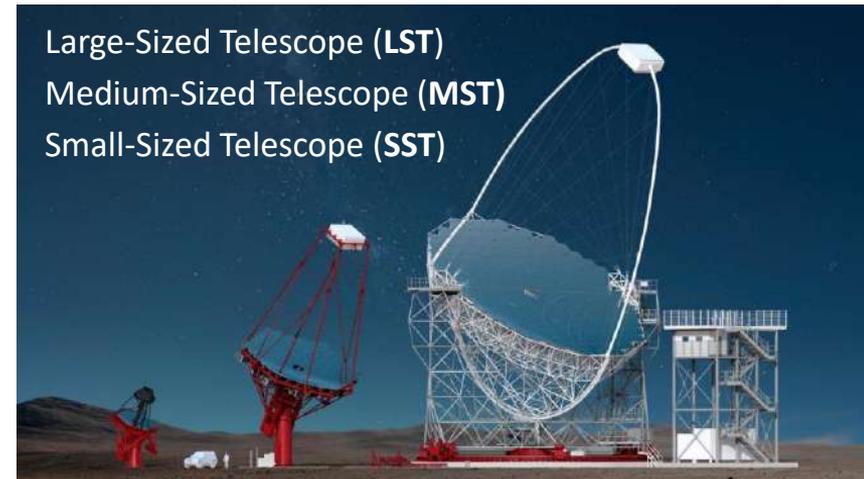
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**CTAO-PL:** UJ, IFJ PAN, CAMK PAN, UŁ, UW, UwB, ACK Cyfronet AGH, UMK, NCBJ,  
UZ, CBK PAN, AGH, PW

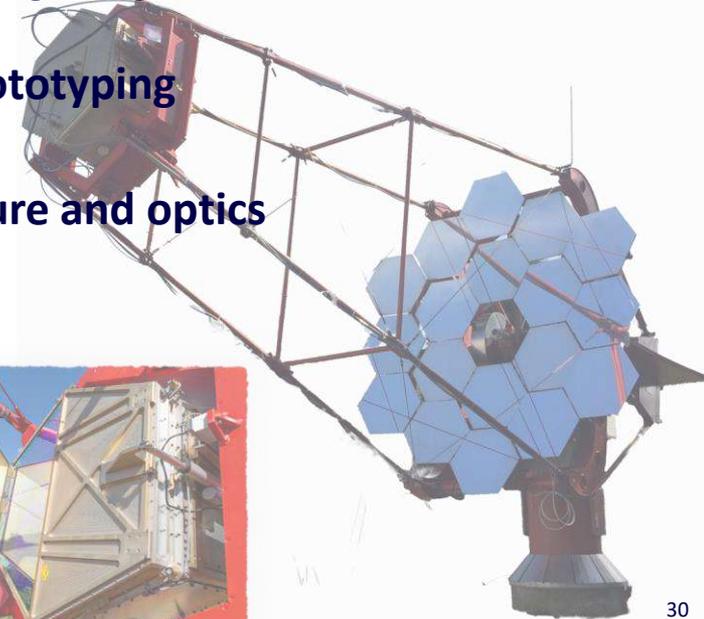
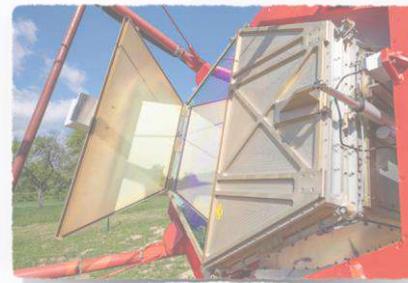
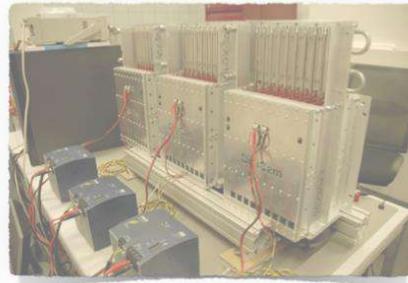
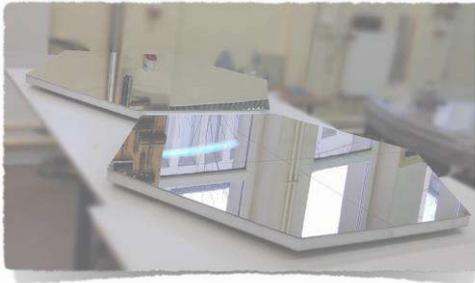
- **Largest** ground-based **very-high energy gamma-ray** observatory in the world; over **60 telescopes** in **two telescope array sites (La Palma and Chile)**.
- Unparalleled **accuracy and sensitivity** in **broad energy range** (20 GeV – 300 TeV).
- Main science themes:
  - Understanding the origin of cosmic particles.
  - Probing extreme environments: cosmic explosions, black holes, neutron stars...
  - Exploring frontiers of physics – searching for dark matter and deviations from the theory of relativity.



[www.ctao.org](http://www.ctao.org)



- **CTAO Consortium** established in 2008 – **about 1500 members** from **25 countries**.
- On the **ESFRI roadmap** since 2008; **promoted to a “Landmark”** in 2018. **ASTRONET Roadmap 2022-2035**. **Polish Roadmap** since 2020.
- **CTAO becomes an ERIC** on **January 7, 2025**.
- **Poland** is one of the **nine** founding members of the **CTAO ERIC**.
- **Significant Polish contributions** to **instrumentation prototyping** and **software development**.
- Planned in-kind contributions to **MST telescope structure and optics** and **array control and data acquisition software**.



**ELI ERIC**

Henryk Fiedorowicz

# Extreme Light Infrastructure ERIC (ELI ERIC)

Henryk Fiedorowicz

*Institute of Optoelectronics  
Military University of Technology  
Warsaw, Poland*



Laser research infrastructure  
for science and technology



## ELI ERIC facilities

ELI Beamlines (Czech Rep.)

ELI ALPS (Hungary)

ELI NP (Romania)

- 2006 – ELI proposal
- 2008 – ESFRI Roadmap
- 2008-2010 – ELI PP
- 2014 – ELI listed on PMIB
- 2010-2018 – ELI parallel implementation
- 2018-2021 – ELI DC
- 2021 – ELI ERIC



# ELI ERIC – location of the ELI facilities

ELI Beamlines (Dolni Brezany - Prague)



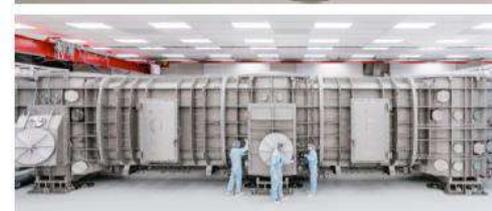
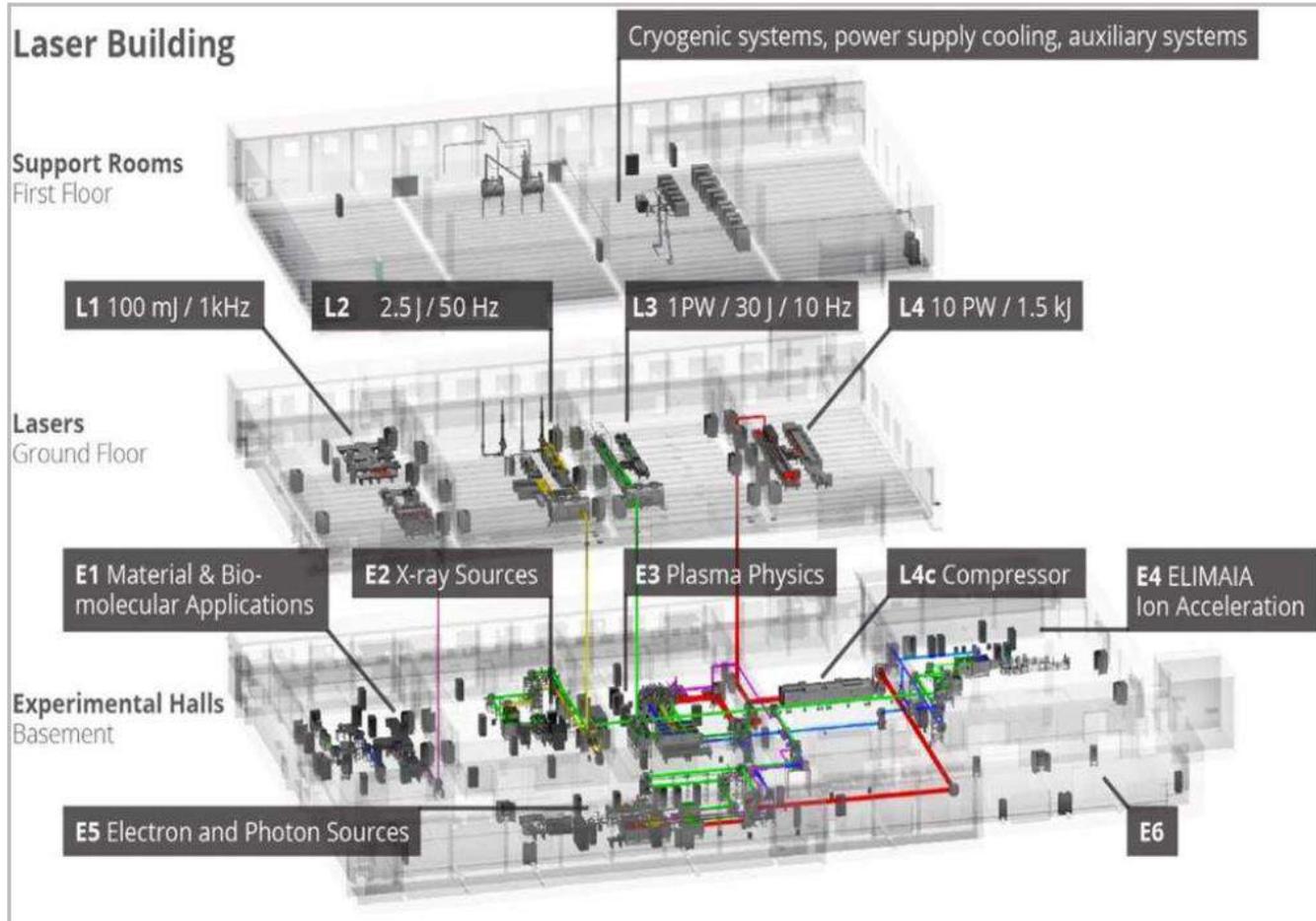
ELI ALPS (Szeged)



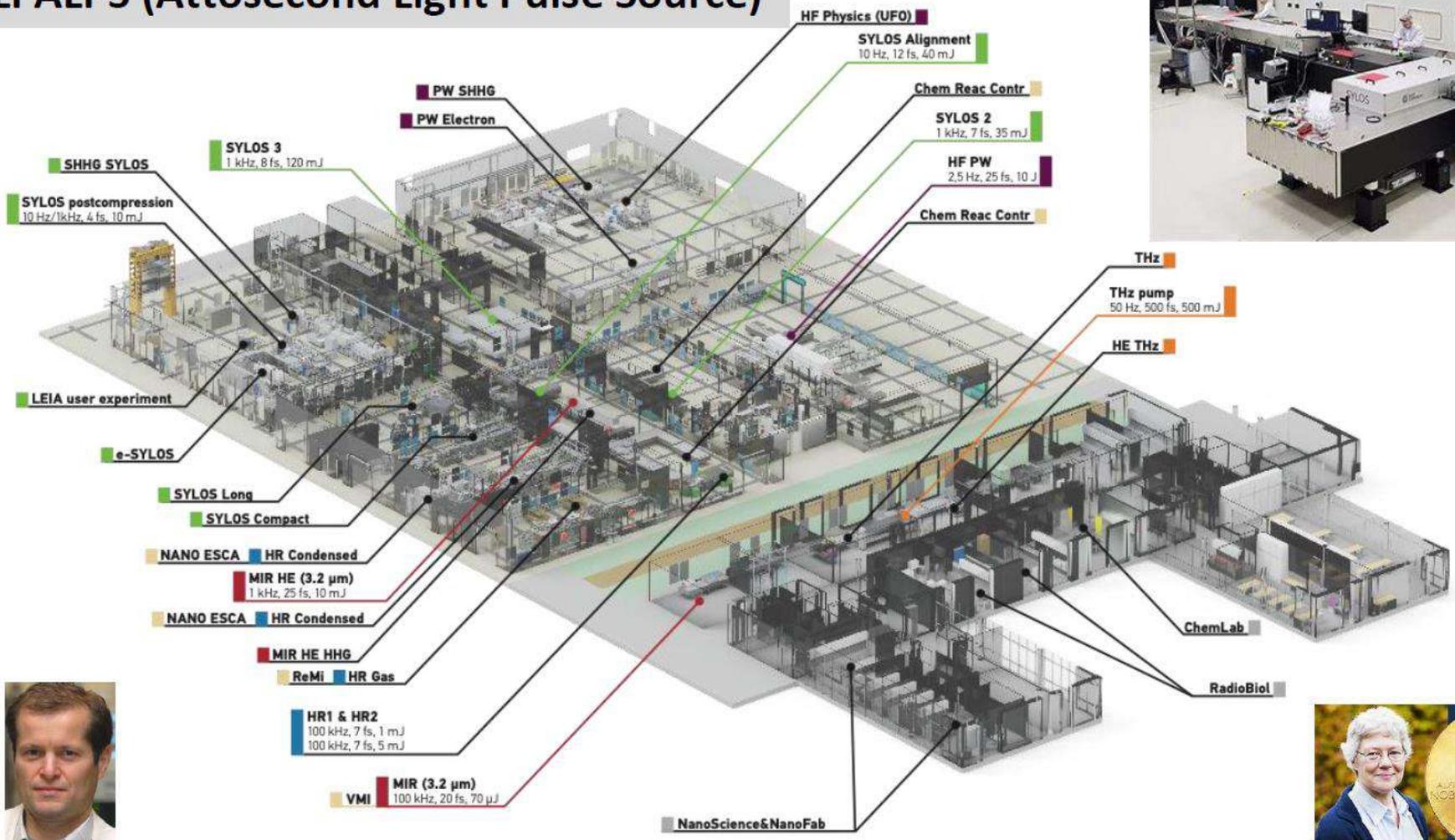
ELI Nuclear Physics (Magurele)



# ELI Beamlines



# ELI ALPS (Attosecond Light Pulse Source)



# ELI NP (Nuclear Physics)



Laser 2 x 10 PW



Research laboratories

VEGA (Variable Energy Gamma-ray) System

Pulsed power  
**11.5 PW**  
(world record)

## ELI ERIC – main research fields

- **Attosecond Science:** attosecond is naturally delivered during laser matter interaction at ultrahigh intensities. Snap-shots in the attosecond scale of the electron dynamics in atoms, molecules, plasmas and solids.
- **High Energy Beam Facility:** ELI will provide ultra-short energetic particle ( $>10$  GeV) and radiation (up to few MeV) beams produced from compact laser plasma accelerators.
- **Nuclear Physics:** The event of the laser enabled the study of the atomic structure. The ultra high intensity lasers will make possible the study of the nucleus.
- **Ultra High Field Science:** access to the ultra-relativistic regime, ELI will afford new investigations in particle physics, nuclear physics, gravitational physics, nonlinear field theory, ultrahigh-pressure physics, astrophysics and cosmology.



# "ELI-Polska" national consortium

## Consortium members

Akademia Górniczo-Hutnicza w Krakowie, Wydział Elektrotechniki, Automatyki, Informatyki i Inżynierii Biomedycznej;

Instytut Fizyki Jądrowej Polskiej Akademii Nauk w Krakowie;

Instytut Fizyki Plazmy i Laserowej Mikrosyntezy w Warszawie;

Instytut Fizyki Polskiej Akademii Nauk w Warszawie;

Narodowe Centrum Badań Jądrowych w Świerku;

Politechnika Warszawska, Wydział Fizyki;

Politechnika Warszawska, Wydział Elektroniki i Technik Informacyjnych;

Politechnika Wrocławska, Wydział Elektroniki, Fotoniki i Mikrosystemów;

Politechnika Wrocławska, Wydział Podstawowych Problemów Techniki;

Uniwersytet w Białymstoku, Wydział Fizyki;

Uniwersytet Jana Kochanowskiego w Kielcach, Instytut Fizyki;

Uniwersytet Warszawski, Wydział Fizyki;

Wojskowa Akademia Techniczna w Warszawie, Instytut Optoelektroniki  
- koordynator

The consortium is open to parties interested in ELI

## ELI-Polska consortium agreement



Profesor Gerard Mourou,  
laureat Nagrody Nobla w 2018 z fizyki  
inicjator projektu ELI

*I wish the members of the ELI-Polska consortium and Polish scientists fruitful cooperation and scientific successes achieved in ELI research infrastructures*

**§ 1.**

**Misja i cel działalności Konsorcjum**

1. Misją krajowego konsorcjum „ELI – Polska” jest działanie na rzecz znaczącego udziału Polski w budowie i eksploatacji europejskiej infrastruktury badawczej **Extreme Light Infrastructure - ELI.**

**EMFL**

Adam Babiński

# European Magnetic Field Laboratory- AISBL

(Association Internationale Sans But Lucratif - international non-profit association under the Belgian law)



High Field Magnet Laboratory (HFML)  
Nijmegen, NL



Laboratorium Silnych Pól Magnetycznych  
Helmholtz-Zentrum Dresden-Rossendorf,  
DE

Laboratoire National des Champs  
Magnétiques (LNCMI), Toulouse, FR



Laboratoire National des Champs  
Magnétiques (LNCMI) , Grenoble, FR

ESFRI Landmark Infrastructure

## EMFL ordinary members:

- **United Kingdom** since December 2015,
- **The Institute of Research into the Fundamental Laws** of the Universe, Commissariat à l'Énergie Atomique et aux Énergies Alternatives (**CEA**), France since December 2019,
- **University of Salento** since February 2024, the user community in Italy.
- **University of Warsaw** from January 2019 to December 2023, representing the Polish user community, *possible renewal under evaluation*

**EMFL+**

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**EMFL**

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**Regional Magnetic Field Laboratories in  
Poland**

Uniwersytet Warszawski

Politechnika Wrocławska

Uniwersytet Łódzki

Instytut Fizyki PAN

Instytut Wysokich Ciśnień PAN

Instytut Fizyki Molekularnej PAN

Instytut Niskich Temperatur i Badań Strukturalnych PAN

Instytut Biologii Doświadczalnej PAN

Sieć Badawcza Łukasiewicz – Instytut Mikroelektroniki i Fotoniki

**ESRF**

Anna Wolska



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# Polish contribution to the European Synchrotron Radiation Facility

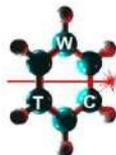
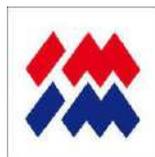
**Anna Wolska**

Institute of Physics, Polish Academy of Sciences

coordinator of the

**National Consortium of Scientific Institutions Interested in the  
use of the European Synchrotron Radiation Facility ESRF**

which includes 21 scientific institutions from Poland



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IChF

# *Polish contribution to the European Synchrotron Radiation Facility*

- \* The ESRF is a modern research infrastructure located in Grenoble (France) open to users since 1994
- \* The ESRF had been built and operates as an international consortium
- \* Currently the ESRF consortium consists of 20 countries with:
  - 13 Member states (contribution equal or above 4 %)
  - 7 Scientific associates (contribution below 4 %)
- \* Poland is an Associate Member
  - since 2004 with contribution 0.6 %
  - since 2006 with contribution 1%

# *Polish contribution to the European Synchrotron Radiation Facility*



- \* research in the field of physics, chemistry, materials science, cultural heritage, structural biology and medical applications, environmental science, nanotechnology
- \* diffraction, microscopic and spectroscopic techniques
- \* microfocusing, nano-imaging, high pressure, low and high temperature, time-resolved experiments

**All scientists with Polish affiliation can submit projects!**

*The access to the ESRF is financed by  
the Polish Ministry of Science and Higher Education, dec. no. 2021/WK/11.*

# **European Spallation Source ERIC**

Dariusz Bocian



**INSTYTUT FIZYKI JĄDROWEJ  
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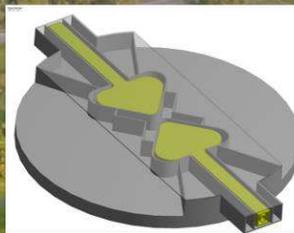
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# European Spallation Source (ESS ERIC)



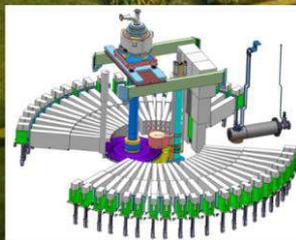
User operation is planned for 2028  
Polish in-cash and in-kind contribution  
On the Polish Roadmap since 2011

Flat moderator delivering smaller  
and brighter neutron beams

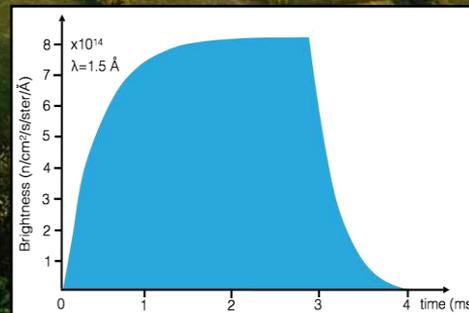


High Power Accelerator  
means more neutrons

High brightness and tuneable resolution  
makes new measurements possible



An Innovative Target Station  
that can host >30 instruments



Czech Republic, Norway, Denmark (host), Poland  
Estonia, Spain, France, Sweden (host), Germany  
Switzerland, Hungary, United Kingdom, Italy



# Range of applications

*Macro-molecular crystallography*



Make solar energy economical



Provide energy from fusion



Develop carbon sequestration methods

*Neutron detection technologies*



Manage the nitrogen cycle



Provide access to clean water



Restore and improve urban infrastructure

*Batteries*



Advance health informatics



Engineer better medicines



Reverse-engineer the brain

*Polymers*

*Superconductors*

*Thermoelectrics  
Magnetoelectrics*



Prevent nuclear terror



Secure cyberspace



Enhance virtual reality



Advance personalized learning



Engineer the tools of scientific discovery

*New materials for chemical and physical sequestration*

*Better concrete*

*Advanced engineering materials*

*Spintronics*

Radiography/tomography – dynamics of macromolecules – lattice vibrations – spin dynamics

# **European XFEL**

Ryszard Sobierajski

EUROPEAN

FEL



## European XFEL

*Ryszard Sobierajski, IF PAN*



[xfel.eu](http://xfel.eu)  
[www.ifpan.edu.pl/cd-xfel](http://www.ifpan.edu.pl/cd-xfel)



# European X-ray Free Electron Laser

EuXFEL is a source of intense coherent ultrashort x-ray pulses combined with the state-of-the-art experimental stations. Since 2017 it provides **unique research opportunities in the fields of medicine, biology, chemistry, physics and material sciences**. Example applications: determining structure of bio-molecules, studying dynamics of chemical reactions, investigating ultrafast magnetism, creating and characterizing extreme states of matter important for planetary astrophysics or laser fusion etc. There are 10 facilities in the world with similar capabilities.



To construct and operate the EuXFEL, international partners - **Denmark, France, Germany, Hungary, Italy, Poland, Russia, Slovakia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, and the United Kingdom** - agreed on the foundation of an independent research organization – the **European XFEL GmbH**, a non-profit limited liability company under German law. The company employs more than 500 people and has a budget of above 140 MEUR.



# XFEL user community in Poland



Access to the EuXFEL is granted based on the peer review of scientific proposals by international experts (success rate ~20-30%). Approximately 100 research projects are conducted each year. **Polish users' contribution has grown above our share level (2.13 %) with several groups involved.**



Polish participation in the EuXFEL is supported by the **XFEL-Poland consortium - currently consisting of 28 institutions.**

Within the **MNiSW project**, expert support is provided by **XFEL-Hub Poland (Centra Doskonałości XFEL):**

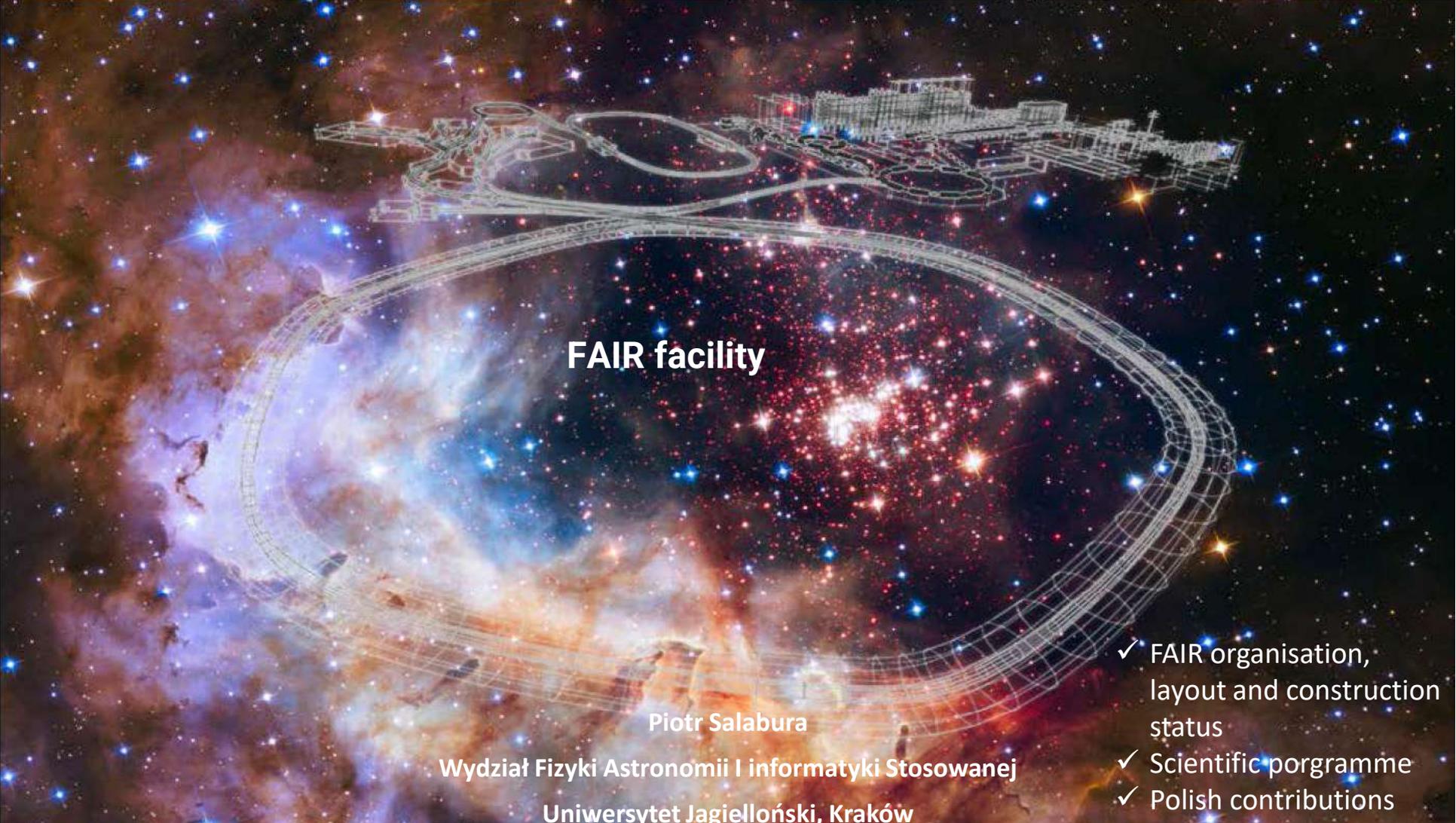
- XFEL lectures for master's and PhD students
- schools, workshops and scientific sessions devoted to XFEL science
- financial support for the participation of Polish scientists in international XFEL conferences
- internships at the EuXFEL for PhD students and PostDoc
- support in the preparation of research applications for EuXFEL, including complementary measurements

[www.ifpan.edu.pl/cd-xfel](http://www.ifpan.edu.pl/cd-xfel)



**FAIR**

Piotr Salabura



## FAIR facility

Piotr Salabura

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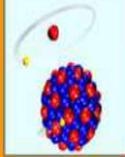
Uniwersytet Jagielloński, Kraków

- ✓ FAIR organisation, layout and construction status
- ✓ Scientific programme
- ✓ Polish contributions

# FAIR: Facility for Antiproton and Ion Research

## Research Pillars

Atomic Physics



Plasma



Materials



Bio

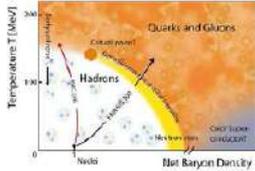


Atomic Physics, Plasma physics  
and applications

**APPA**

Scientists  
World / Poland

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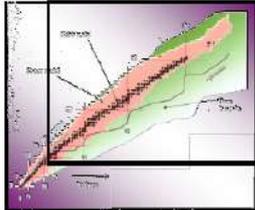


Compressed Baryonic Matter

**CBM**

**FAIR**

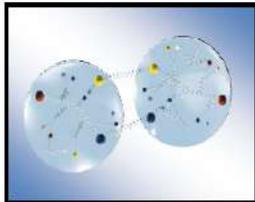
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Nuclear Structure  
Astrophysics and Reactions

**NuSTAR**

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hadron structure with Antiproton  
ANihilation (at DArmstadt)

**PANDA**

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**+ 46 scientists &  
engineers contributing  
to infrastructure**

# FAIR : organisation and polish participation



Signing of FAIR convention in Wiesbaden 2010



Associated partner



aspirant country

- FAIR Launched by Convention signed in 2010 by 9 shareholders financing construction with location near Darmstadt (Germany)
- Poland has 2.3% of FAIR shares and is represented in FAIR government (Council) by Jagiellonian University that is managing and coordinating polish in-kind contributions to FAIR. Financing is provided by Ministry of Science and Higher Education <https://fair.uj.edu.pl/>
- Krajowe Konsorcjum Femtofizyka is gathering 12 polish Institutions engaged in scientific programme at FAIR <https://fair.uj.edu.pl/konsorcjum>

- On the Polish Map of Research Infrastructures (since 2017)
- Recommended with highest priority in Long Range plan for European Nuclear Physics by Nuclear Physics Collaboration Committee (NUPECC)
- Construction started in 2016 and completion of the first step (First Science+) expected by end of 2028.
- Research within FAIR-Phase0 program is ongoing in parallel to construction

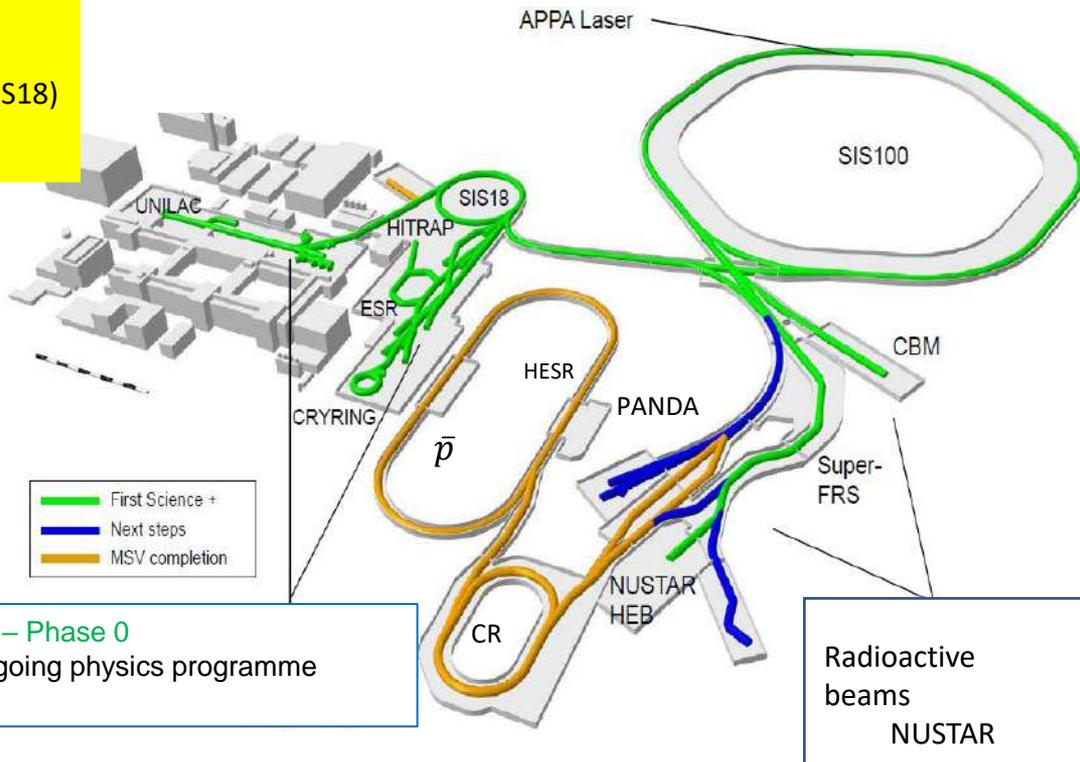
# FAIR: layout of facility & status

- ✓ FAIR science is driven by accelerator SIS100, storage rings and radioactive beam facility (SFRS)
- ✓ Beams are injected to SIS100 from GSI facility (UNILAC, SIS18) used for research during construction
- ✓ storage rings for ions (ESR, CRYRING) antiprotons (HESR) (>2032)

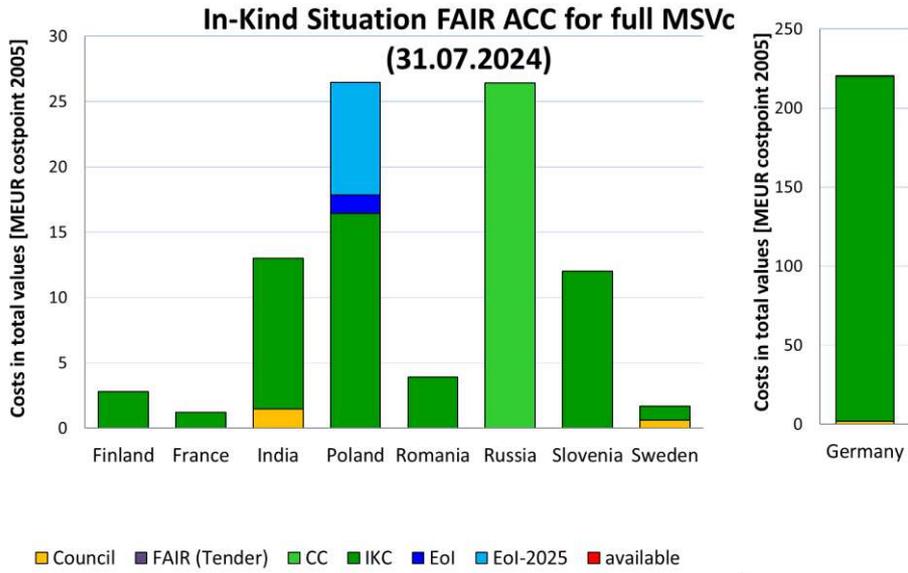
Construction site near Darmstadt'2024



(~ 250 superc. magnets, 11 ton He, ~140 GWh Energy/year)



# in-kind contributions to FAIR from Poland



## Polish in kind contributions to FAIR

- To experiments  
detectors, electronics, data processing systems
- To accelerator infrastructure  
cryogenic systems : distribution of liquid Helium  
and current to superconducting magnets  
assembly of magnets and development of  
strategies and quality control processes

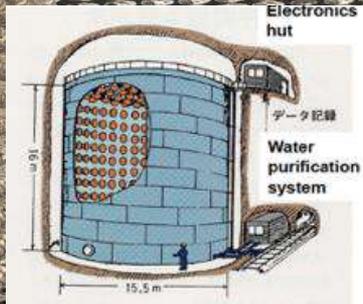
Poland : 2'd country with largest in-kind contribution

# Hyper-Kamiokande

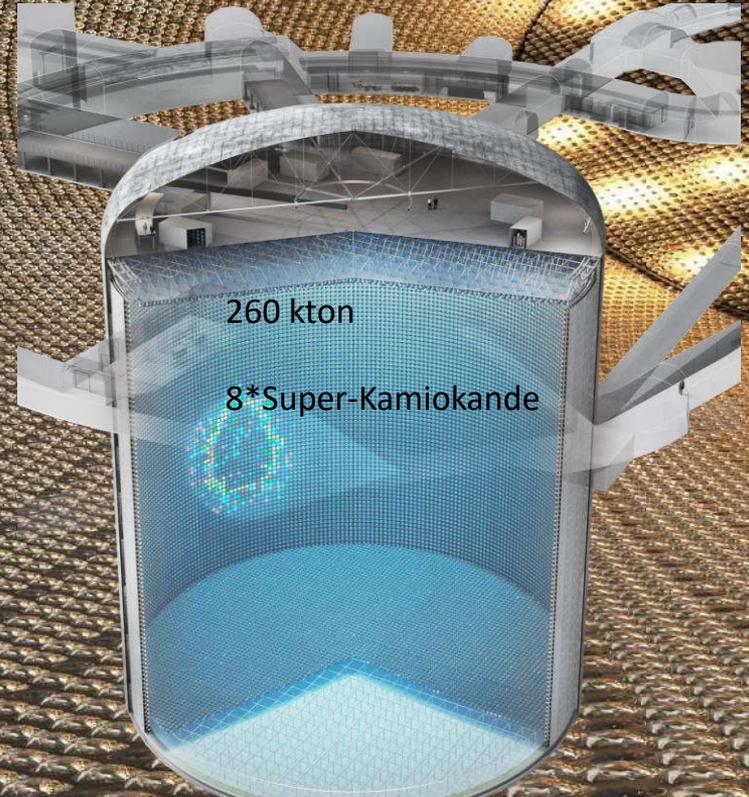
Ewa Rondio

# Hyper - Kamiokande

Kamiokande 3 kton 1983-1996



Super-Kamiokande 50 kt  
1996 -



# World-leading neutrino physics and astrophysics, and nucleon decay

## PROJECT IN A NUTSHELL:

Project started in 2020, Operation start in 2027



 **KEK** High power proton beams  
J-PARC (hosted by KEK)



INGRID

ND280

IWCD: New intermediate water cherenkov detector

### 1. World-largest detector for Nucleon-decay and Neutrino experiment

to be built with **8.4 times** larger fiducial mass (190 kiloton) than Super-K and to be instrumented with **double-sensitivity photo-sensors**

### 2. World most-intense neutrino beam

J-PARC neutrino beam to be **upgraded by a factor 2.5** from 0.5 (as of 2019) to 1.3 Mega Watt

### 3. New and upgraded near detectors to control systematic errors

# Hyper-Kamiokande International Project

Rich physics  
Discovery potential

## Polish participation In Hyper-K experiment

Nine High Energy Physics  
Institutions:

4 from **Warsaw**

- National Centre for Nuclear Research – NCBJ
- University of Warsaw
- Warsaw University of Technology
- CAMK - Astrocent

3 from **Cracow**

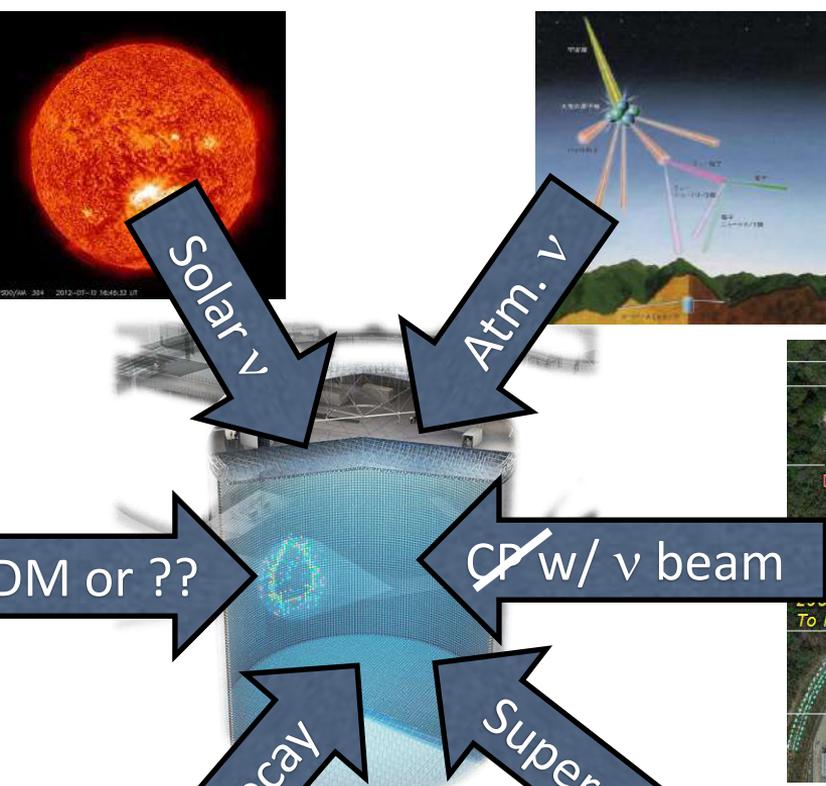
- Institute of Nuclear Physics, Polish Academy of Science
- Jagiellonian University
- AGH University of Science and Technology

**Katowice**

- University of Silesia

**Wroclaw**

- Wroclaw University



U. Tokyo  
&  
KEK J-PARC

# Polish contributions

**Multi-PMT** light detectors detectors build in Poland

Now used in WCTE telescope at CERN

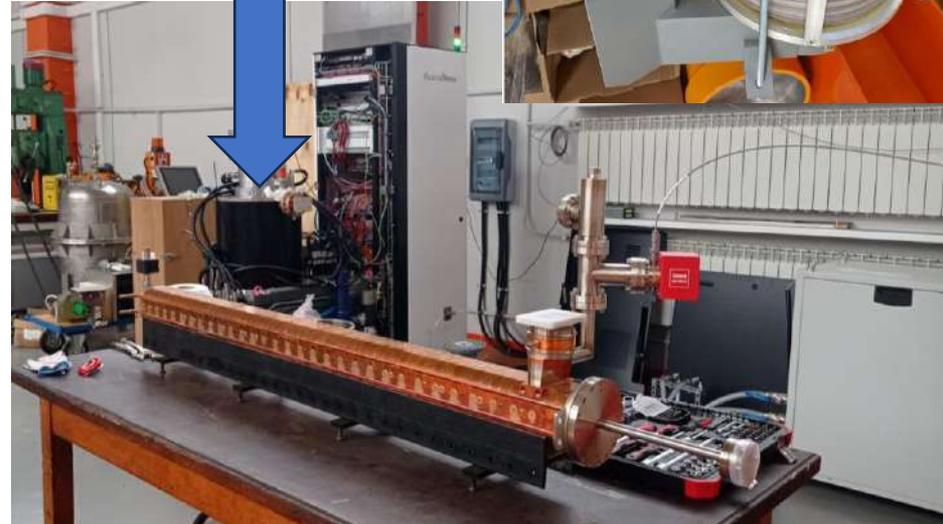


Equipment for mounting under-water cables

and magnet



**Liniac** for calibration  
accelarating structure



**ILL**

Ewa Juszyńska-Gałązka, Wojciech Zając

*International research infrastructure:*



**NEUTRONS  
FOR SOCIETY**

**Institut Laue-Langevin**

the world's leading facility  
in neutron science & technology

*Polish partner  
since 2006*



**Neutrony dla  
Polskiej Nauki**

<https://neutronydlapolskiejnauki.pl/>

**«Neutrons for Polish Science»**  
Consortium of 21 Polish universities  
and research institutions

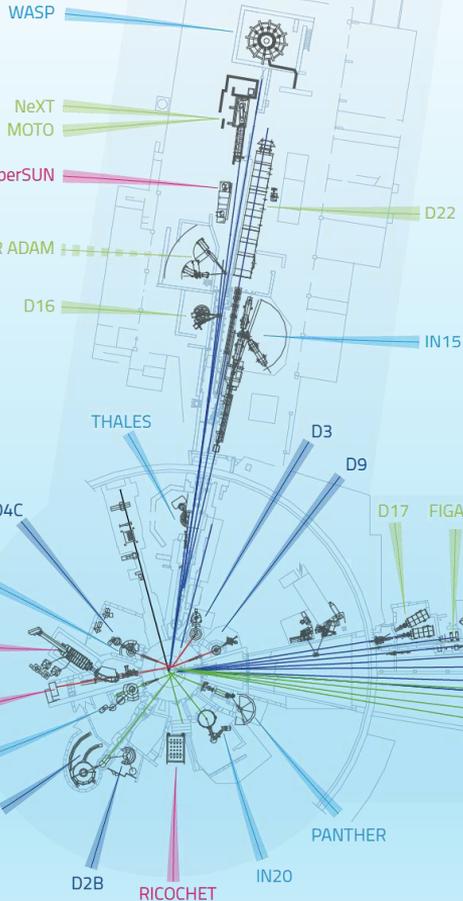
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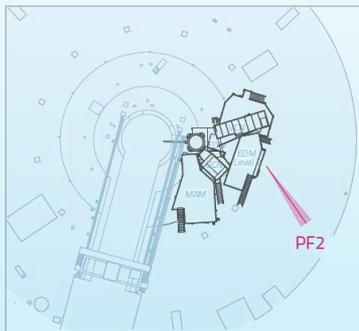
**THE HENRYK NIEWODNICZAŃSKI  
INSTITUTE OF NUCLEAR PHYSICS  
POLISH ACADEMY OF SCIENCES**

***Ewa Juszyńska-Gałązka, Wojciech Zajęc***

BUILDING ILL 22



REACTOR BUILDING - ILL 5  
UPPER LEVEL - LEVEL D



### INSTRUMENTS

As of July 2024

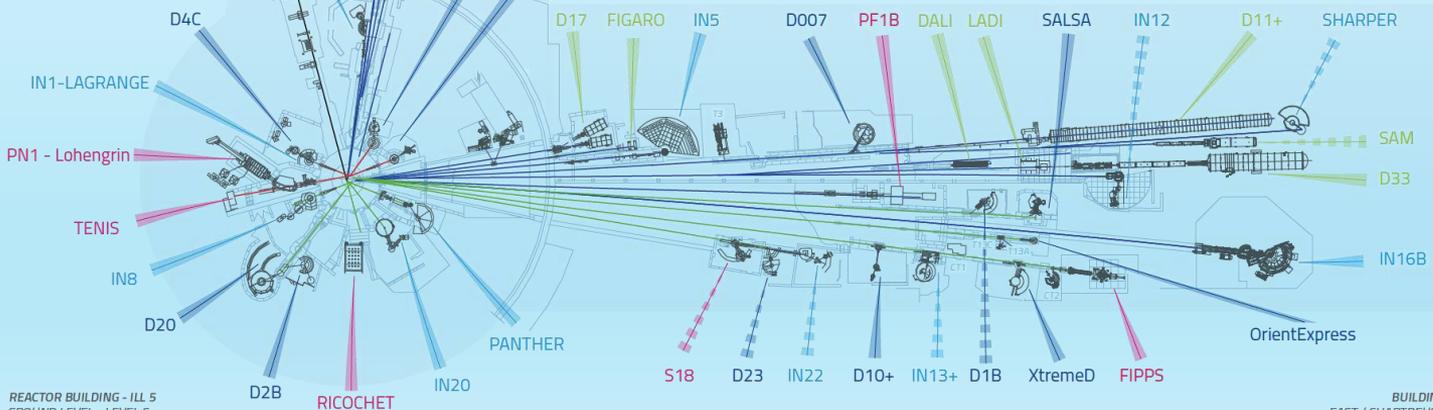
- Diffraction group
- Large Scale Structures group
- Nuclear & Particle Physics group
- Spectroscopy group

- - - CRG instruments
- ▶ ILL instruments

### GUIDES

- Hot neutrons
- Thermal neutrons
- Cold neutrons

BUILDING ILL 7  
WEST / VERCORS SIDE



REACTOR BUILDING - ILL 5  
GROUND LEVEL - LEVEL C

BUILDING ILL 7  
EAST / CHARTREUSE SIDE

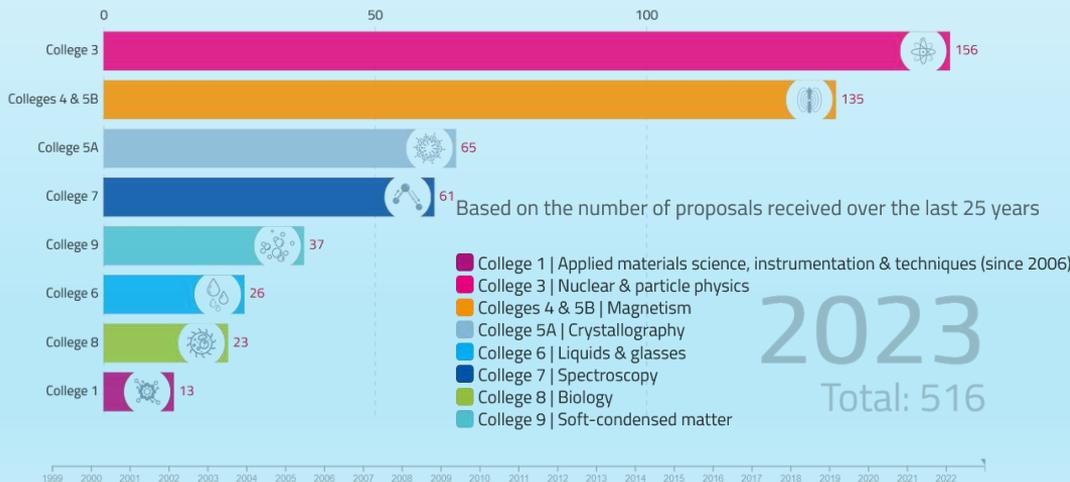
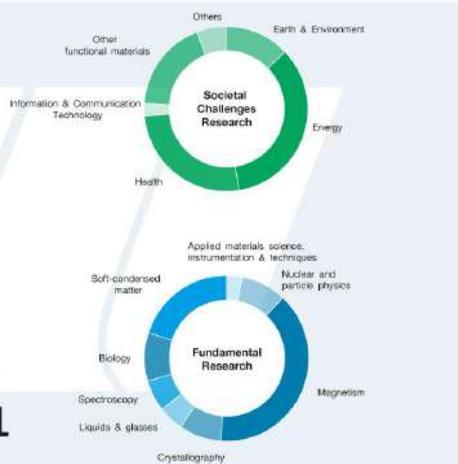


# NEUTRONS FOR SOCIETY

43 scientific  
instruments of  
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### SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH CONDUCTED AT THE ILL

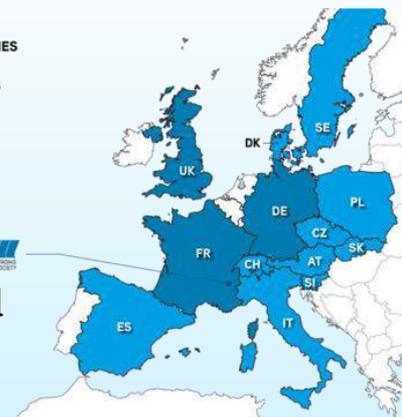


### Disciplines distribution in Polish beamtime requests

ASSOCIATE COUNTRIES  
MEMBER COUNTRIES



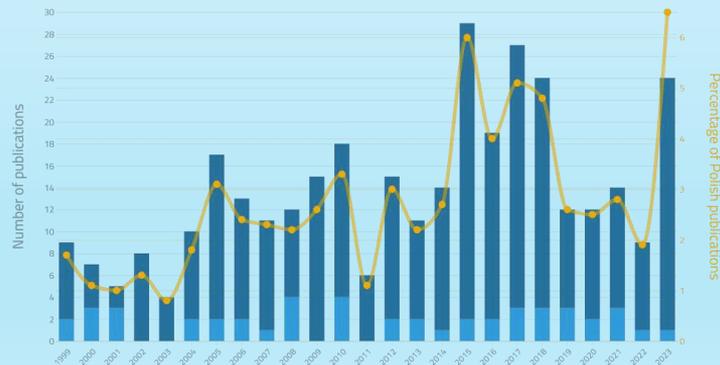
### International partnership for science



### Publications involving Polish scientists and using data from the ILL

Based on the ILL scientific literature over the last 25 years

- Ratio between Polish publications & all ILL publications
- Publications with Polish scientists but no ILL authors
- Publications with Polish scientists and ILL authors



Now Poland contributes 0.8% to the ILL budget but delivers 5x more publications.

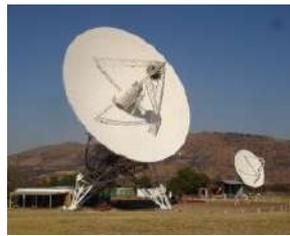
**JIV ERIC**

Agnieszka Słowikowska



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**JIVE**  
Joint Institute for VLBI ERIC

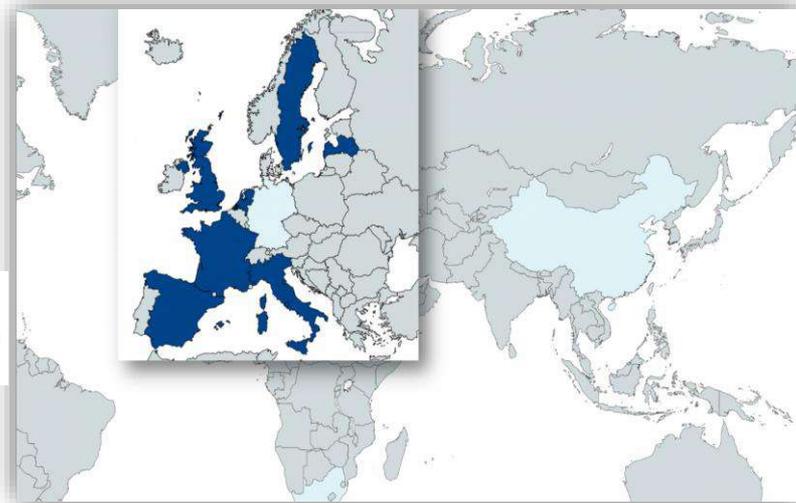
**Agnieszka Slowikowska**  
**Director**



# Joint Institute for VLBI-ERIC



- The central organization of **European VLBI Network 20+ radio telescopes** (UK, IT, ES, ZA, LV, PL, SE, CN, NL, DE, KR, FI)
- **7 members + 3 participating research institutes**
- **Hosted in the Netherlands (ASTRON/Dwingeloo)**



<https://www.evlbi.org/>  
<https://jive.eu/>

# Assets

## Facilitate

Enabling science excellency with the sharpest view of the Universe

## Support

- EVN users
- radio telescopes
- implementation of **new equipment or procedures**
- advocating **new partnerships** and **collaborations**
- **community building** and support

## Services

- **EVN Public Data Archive**
- **R&D** for a state-of-the-art computing center
- provide **services** to the EVN/JIVE partners
- **engage** and **represent** partners in relations with the EC and other networks



# 32-m Polish radio telescope on the Nature Astronomy cover page



**LOFAR ERIC**

Andrzej Krankowski

# LOFAR ERIC

## the LOW Frequency ARray

### European Research Infrastructure Consortium

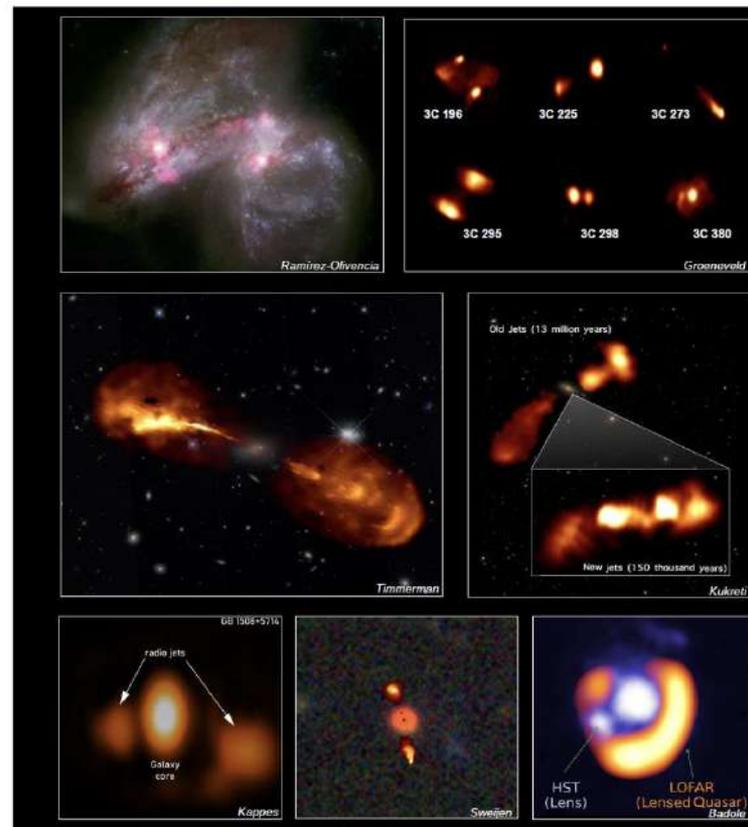
Commission Implementing Decisions  
(EU)

2023/2881 of 20 December 2023

**Andrzej Krankowski**

University of Warmia and Mazury in Olsztyn

Member of LOFAR ERIC Council  
Chairman of POLFAR consortium



# LOFAR ERIC



Distributed research infrastructure; world-leading low-frequency radio telescope

- **Founding Members:** Bulgaria, Germany, Ireland, Italy, the Netherlands, Poland
- **Observers:** France, Latvia, Sweden, United Kingdom
- **Distributed network of antenna stations: condensed in NL, extending >2000 km in Europe**
  - 52 antenna stations in 8 countries: NL (38, 24-core and 14-remote), DE (6), PL (3), IE, UK, FR, SE, LV + 2 stations funded (2025): IT, BG
  - Central observing operations, peer-reviewed access for the research community
- **Centrally operated data combination**
  - GPU-based correlator (NL)
- **Distributed archive and data analysis centres : 80 PB stored**
  - Central operation and open science access for the research community
  - Currently 3 nodes: SURF (NL), FZJ (DE), PSNC (PL)



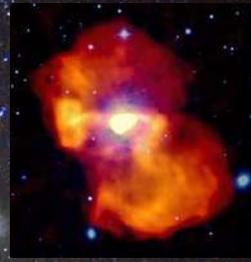
 LOFAR

Cosmic magnetism

Supermassive black holes

Early Universe

Supernovae



Galaxy clusters

Sun



Pulsars



Gravitational wave events



Solar System Planets



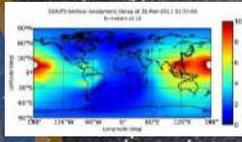
Meteors



Nearby galaxies



Ionosphere



Cosmic rays



Interstellar medium



Lightning



Space weather



LOFAR - The Key Science Projects

# POLFAR - POLish Low Frequency ARray

established in 2007



**POLFAR**

## • Members: (9 institutions)

- **University of Warmia and Mazury in Olsztyn**, the leader of the POLFAR Consortium, LOFAR PL-612 Baldy station,
- **Jagiellonian University, Krakow**, LOFAR PL-611 Lazy station,
- **Space Research Centre of PAS, Warsaw**, LOFAR PL-610 Borowiec station,
- **PSNC, Poznan**, IT infrastructure,
- University of Zielona Góra, Nicolaus Copernicus Astronomical Center of PAS in Warsaw, Torun, The Nicolaus Copernicus University in Torun, Szczecin University, Wrocław University of Environmental and Life Sciences.



Baldy PL612 Station



Borowiec PL610 Station



Lazy PL611 Station

## • POLFAR: On the Polish Roadmap since 2010 (2010, 2015, 2020)

## • Ministerial funding for 2013-2028:

- Creation of 3 Polish LOFAR stations (2015),
- Polish contribution to ILT and LOFAR ERIC (since 2016)
- Maintenance of 3 Polish LOFAR (since 2016)
- Upgrade of 3 Polish LOFAR stations to LOFAR 2.0 (2023-2025)



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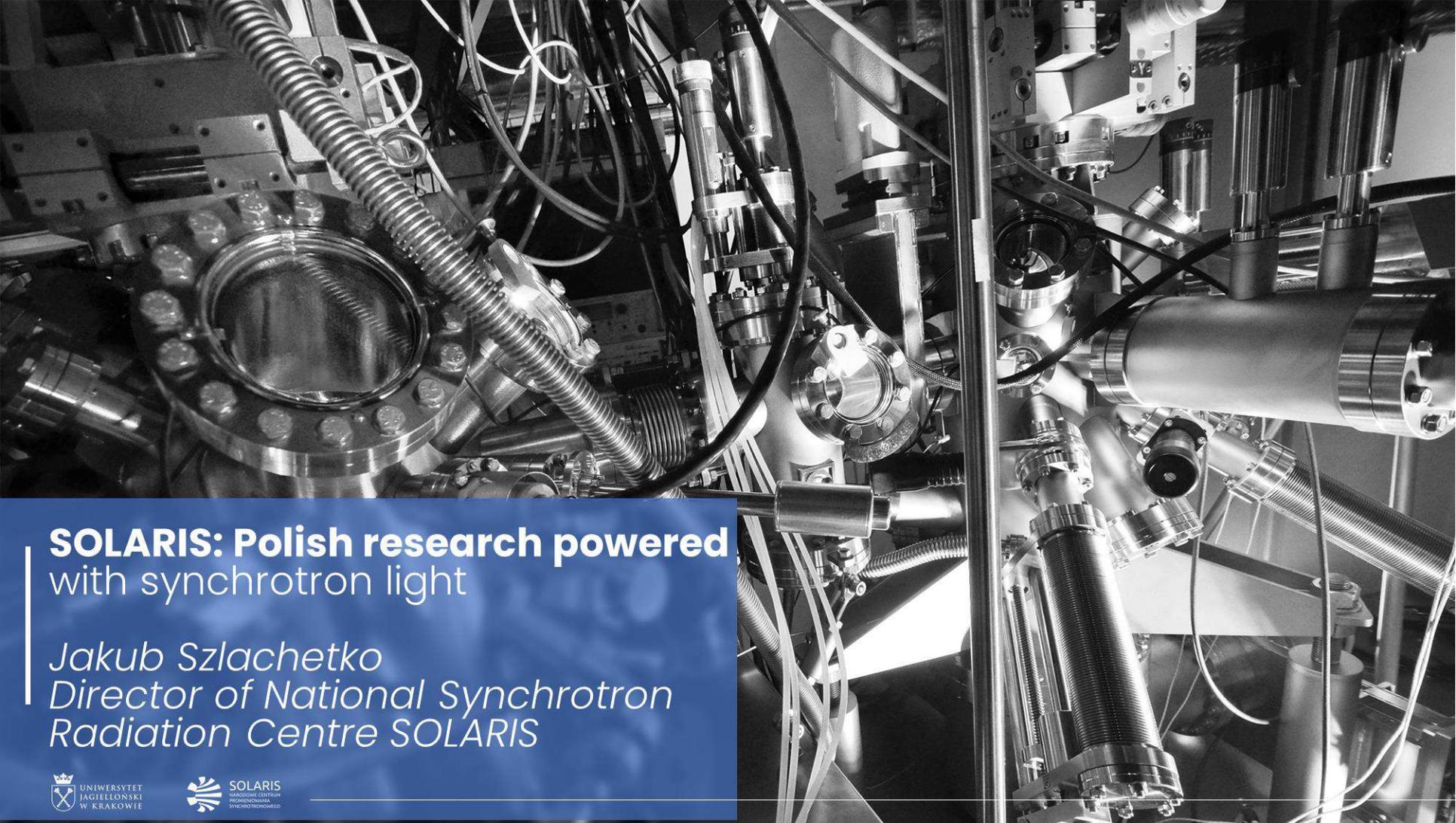


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**SOLARIS**

Jakub Szlachetko



**SOLARIS: Polish research powered**  
with synchrotron light

*Jakub Szlachetko*  
*Director of National Synchrotron*  
*Radiation Centre SOLARIS*

# SOLARIS as a part of LEAPS



**LEAPS** - League of European Accelerator-based Photon Sources.

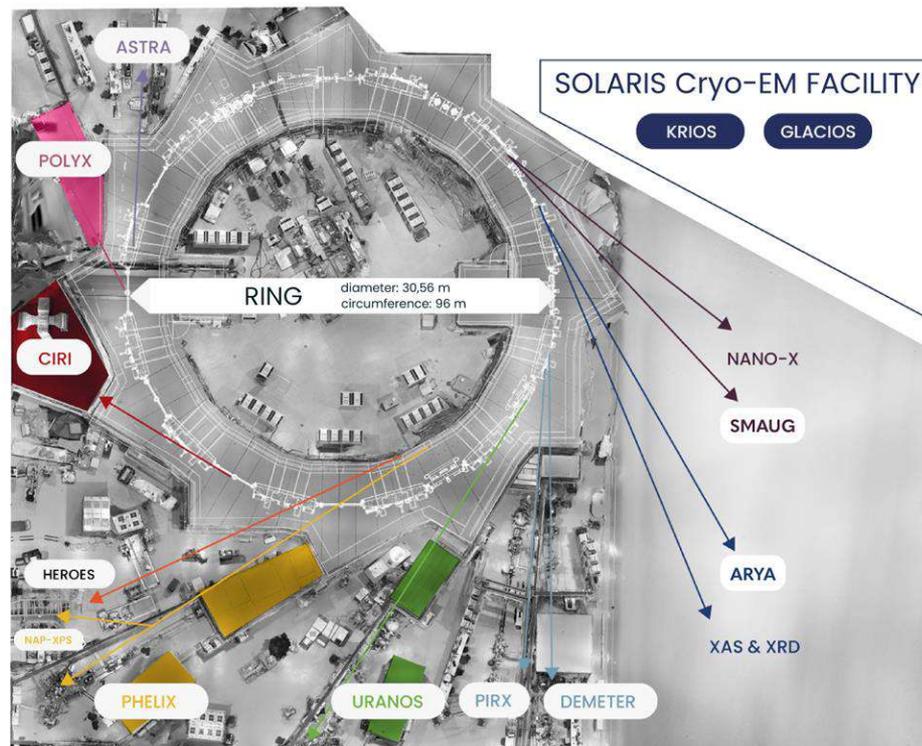
LEAPS is a collaboration that brings together all EU light sources with uniting 16 organisations representing 19 facilities.

In the past 5 years alone, LEAPS members have welcomed 35000 researchers, with 23 400 articles published in peer-reviewed journals.



# Research & technology infrastructure in SOLARIS

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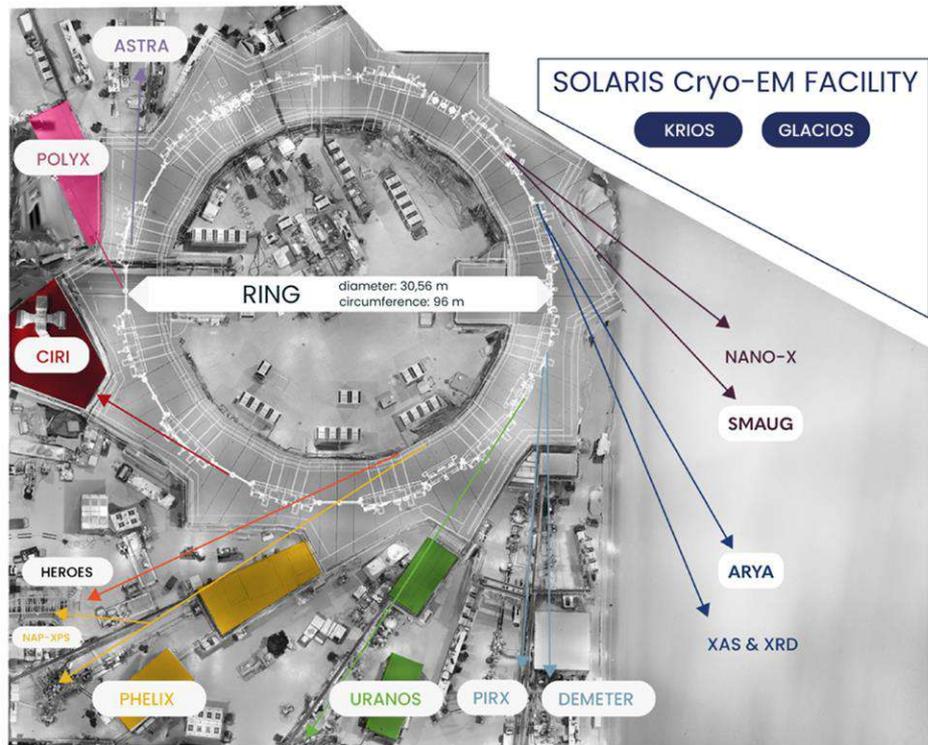
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Direct investments (infrastructure & human resources) from non-SOLARIS entities:



The SOLARIS laboratory operates 24 hours a day. Due to demand, from 2025 we will also provide user service on Sundays.





# SOLARIS users society



**Projects/year:**



**~ 400 access applications**



**~ 200 experiments**



**~ 20 000 research hours**



**~ 1000 researchers**



**~ 100 research units from Poland**

**~ 150 research units from abroad**



**Thank you for the attention**

dr hab. Jakub Szlachetko, prof. UJ

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**Virgo**

Andrzej Królak

# Virgo-PL: Polish participation in the gravitational-wave observatory Virgo

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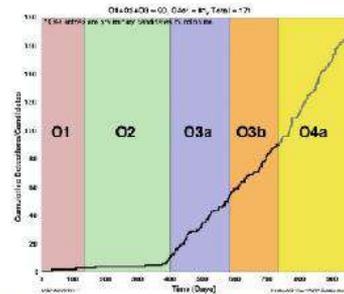
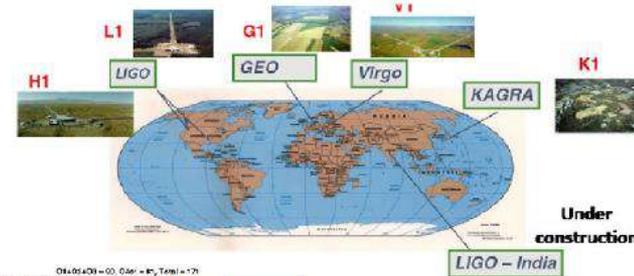
**Virgo-PL: Institute of Mathematics PAS (leader), Academic Computer Centre  
Cyfronet AGH, CAMK PAS, Jagiellonian University, National Center for  
Nuclear Research, University of Białystok, University of Warsaw, University of  
Zielona Góra**

Part of global Consortium **LVK** of GW detectors

Virgo - a gravitational wave detection project



Detector located near Pisa, Italy



271 GW signals detected including first ever detection of a GW signal in 2015 with participation of Virgo-Polgraw group. Nobel Prize in physics in 2017

- Virgo: 39 group members, 940 scientists from 167 institutions, 20 countries
- Virgo-Polgraw group: 28 scientists from 10 institutions in Poland, member of Virgo since 2008

# Virgo-PL contribution to Virgo project

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Consortium Virgo-PL: 8 Institutions in Poland

Virgo-PL: on the **Polish Roadmap** since 2011

Ministerial funding for 2024-2026, funding from NCN and FNP

- Participation in the Virgo governance
- Contribution to the common funds (336 kEuro)
- Deployment of seismic sensors at the Virgo site
- Analysis of the LIGO-Virgo-KAGRA data
- Contribution to computing infrastructure
- Astrophysical interpretation of data
- Identification of correlated noise in Virgo
- Participation in the Rapid Response Team (RRT)
- Outreach
- Organization of the LIGO-Virgo-KAGRA meetings



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# Thank you!

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