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CALLIO LAB

Underground Center for Science and R & D

and above ground

Finland
Established 2015

(2000 - 2015 Centre for Underground Physics in Pyhäsalmi)



Traveling to Callio Lab in Pyhäjärvi:

- 1 hour flight from Helsinki-Vantaa International Airport to Oulu, then 2 hour drive to Pyhäjärvi

Traveling to University of Oulu main campus:

- 1 hour flight from Helsinki-Vantaa International Airport to Oulu airport or
- 6 hour train ride from Helsinki to Oulu



Flight from Helsinki to Vienna: 2 hrs 20 min

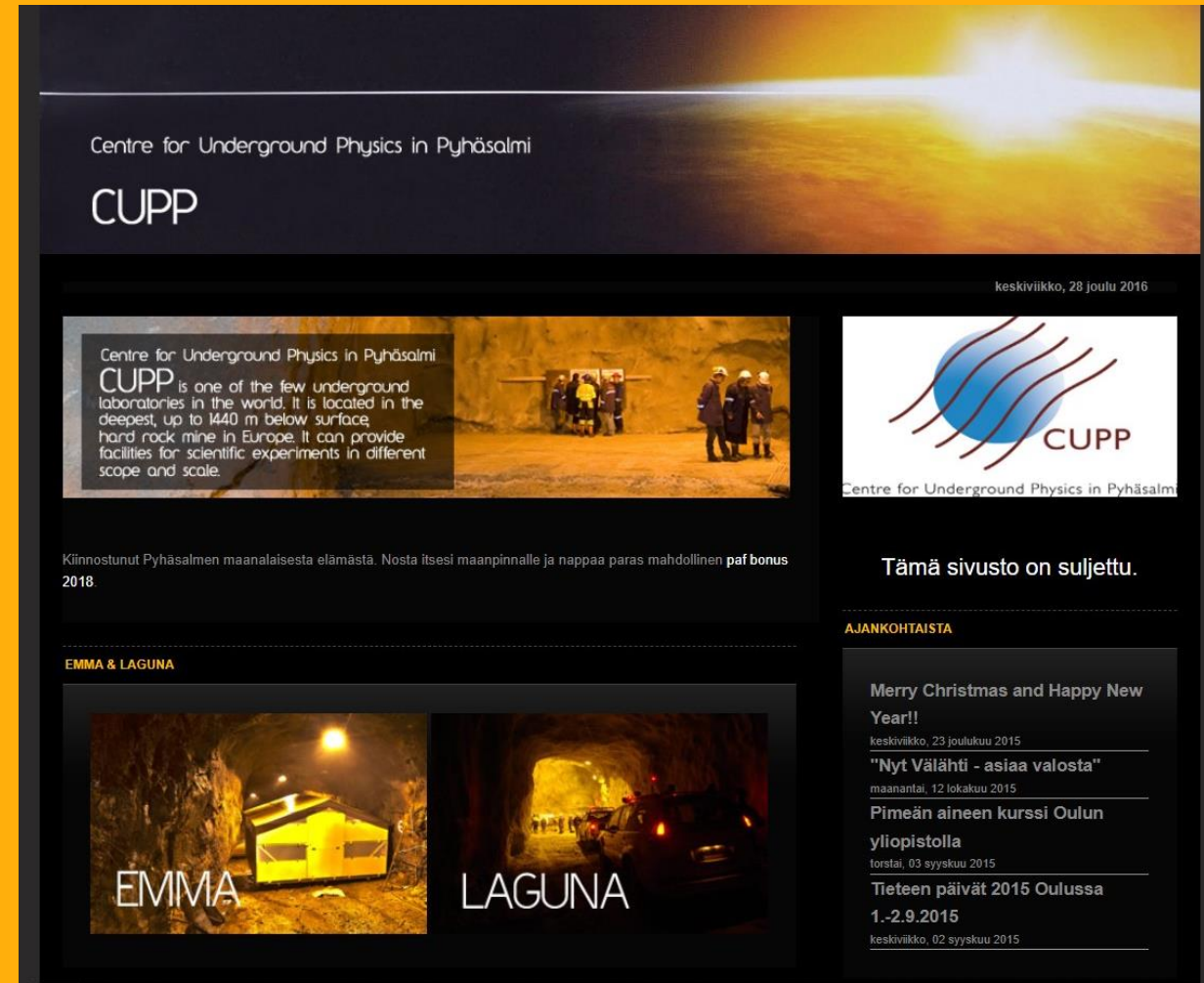
before CALLIO LAB there was CUPP

In 2000, the Centre for Underground Physics in Pyhäsalmi (CUPP) began operation.

Projects included:

- Muons UnderGround experiment (MUG)
- Mobile Underground Detector (MUD)
- Experiment with MultiMuon Array (EMMA)
- Two FP7 design studies of a pan-European Infrastructure for Large Apparatus studying Grand Unification and Neutrino Astrophysics (LAGUNA DS and LAGUNA LBNO DS)

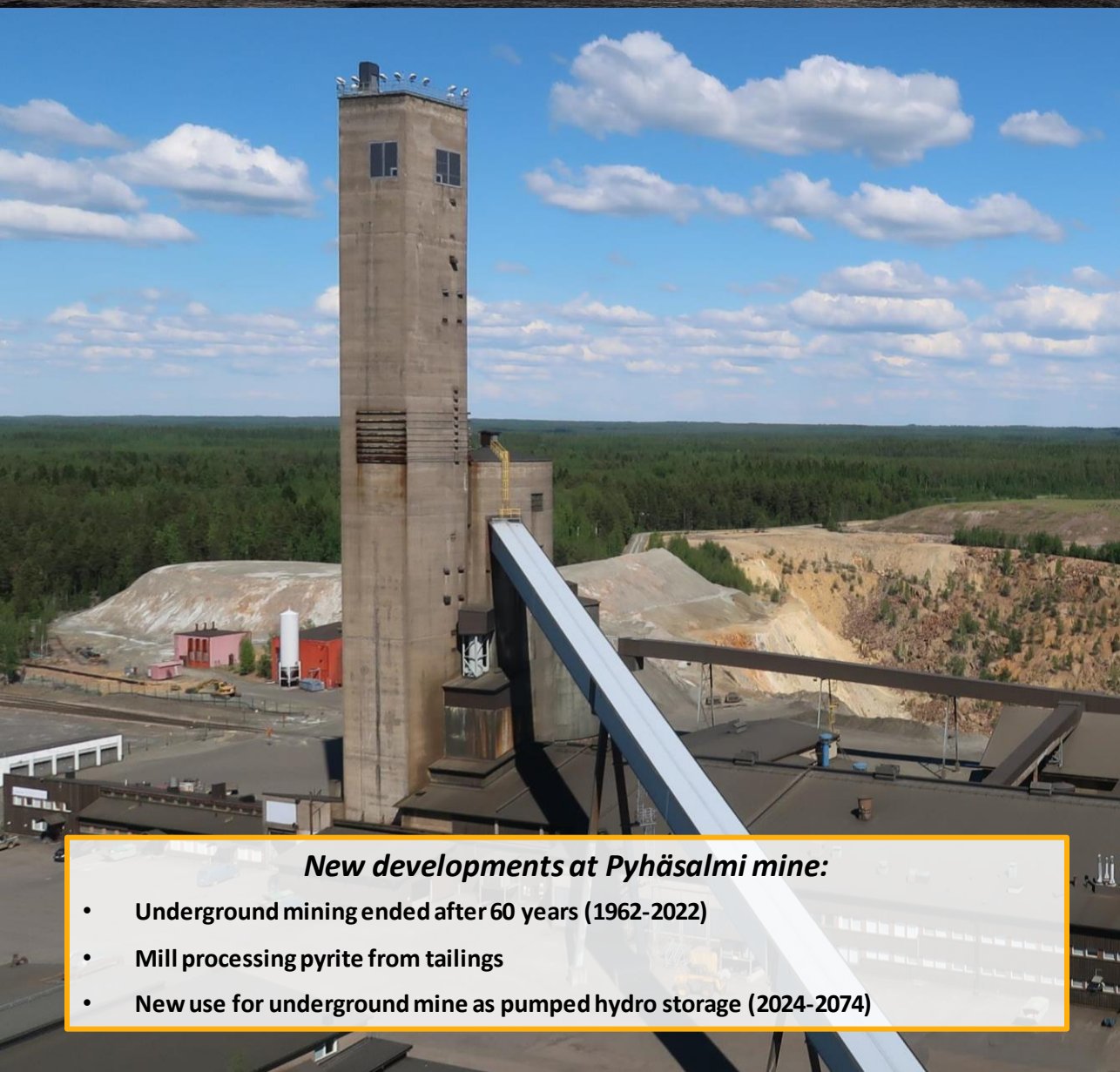
★ The LAGUNA and LAGUNA LBNO design studies found the Pyhäsalmi mine site to be the most ideal location.



Spin-off



CALLIO LAB at the Pyhäsalmi Mine, in Pyhäjärvi Finland



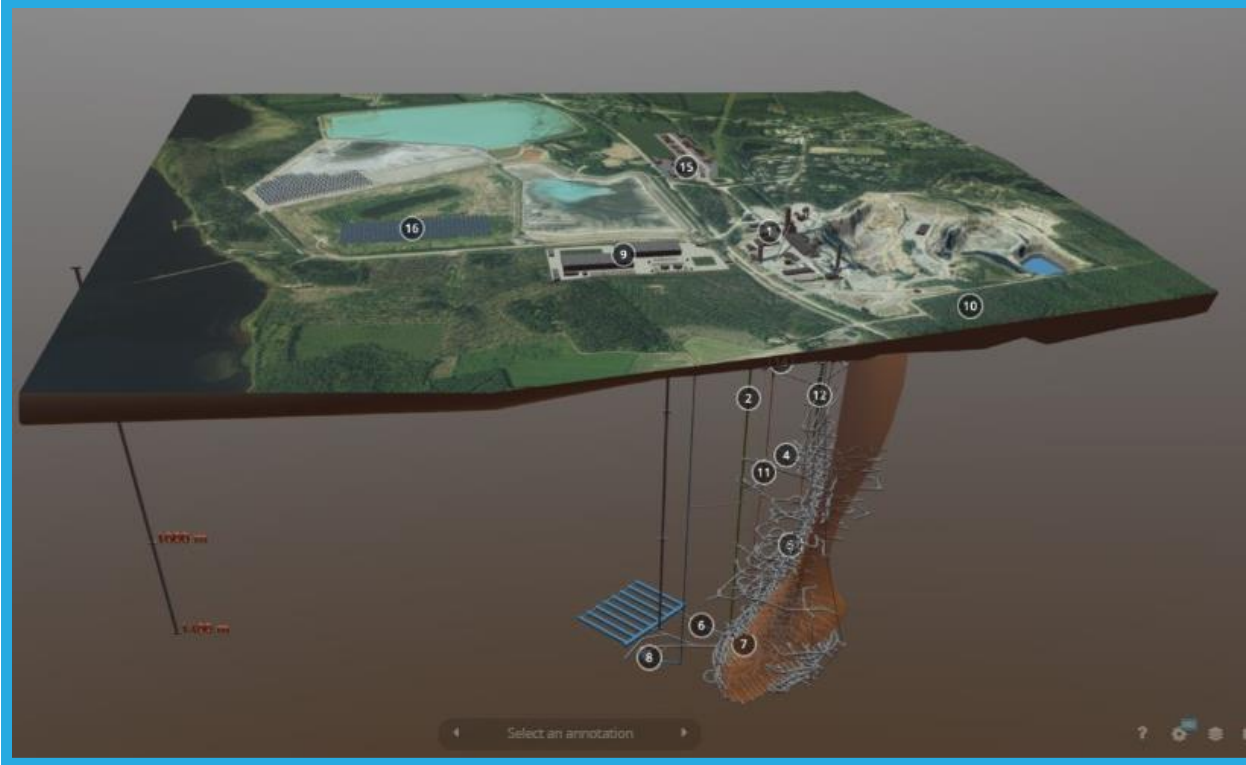
About the Pyhäsalmi mine:

- 1430 meters deep (~4000 m.w.e.)
- Underground mining 1962-2022 (copper & zinc)
- **Owned by** Pyhäsalmi Mine Oy (First Quantum Minerals Ltd)
- **Post-mining activities** coordinated by the Pyhäjärvi town-owned Callio-Mine for Business
- **Scientific activities** are coordinated by the University of Oulu Callio Lab

New developments at Pyhäsalmi mine:

- Underground mining ended after 60 years (1962-2022)
- Mill processing pyrite from tailings
- New use for underground mine as pumped hydro storage (2024-2074)





3D-model on Sketchfab 

New life for Pyhäsalmi underground mine as a pumped hydro energy storage

Owner of mining site: Pyhäsalmi Mine Oy (PMO)
Reuse coordinator: Callio Mine for Business (Callio)
Scientific coordination: Callio Lab (CLab)



Pumped hydro energy storage:

- Planned mode of operation is continuous
- 7/9 h cycle (generation/pumping)
- 50 year lifetime
- Building would take 3-4 years
- Power 75 MW, capacity of 530 MWh
- Cost 125 MEUR + inflation
- EU commission approved 26MEUR Finnish measure to support construction



The existence of such a facility would ensure the future of scientific activity underground. Final decision due in 2023.

Supergraafi

Kaivoksen uusi elämä

umpuvoimalan ja tutkimuslaboratorioiden lisäksi Pyhäsalmen kaivoksen alueelle suunnitellaan muun muassa datakeskusta ja kasvintuotantoa.

Loppuu 2019

- Maanalainen kaivostointi Pyhäsalmissä päättyy vuonna 2019.
- Vuodesta 1962 toimineen kupari- ja sinkkikaivoksen omistaa First Quantum Minerals.
- 1 445 m syvä kaivos on Euroopan syvin metallikaivos.
- Kaivos sijaitsee Pyhäjärven kaupungissa Pohjois-Pohjanmaalla.

NA RAUTIAINEN ja SIMO SAHLA
TUTK: PYHÄJÄRVEN KEHITYS OY, PÖYRY

Säätövoimaa

Pumppuvoimalaitoksessa on vesivoimala ja pumppaamo sekä vesialtaat maan pinnalla ja maan alla. Sähköä tuotetaan maan pinnalla pumpattuun veteen varastoituneen energian avulla.

Uusiutuvan energian vaihtelevuus vaatii entistä joustavamman järjestelmän, joka sisältää energian varastoinnin. Pumppuvoima pystyy reagoimaan nopeasti ja suurella voimalla tuotannon ja kulutuksen välisen eron vaihteluihin.

99 %

aailman energian
rastoinnista toteutetaan
pumpussäätövoimalla.

Pyhäsalmen pumppuvoimala

- Perustuu suljettuun kiertoon
- Käyttöikä jopa 50 vuotta
- Hyödyntää olemassa olevaa infraa

voite-
kataulu

2017 toteutettavuusselvitys, kohteen markkinointi toteuttajille, rahoittajille ja sijoittajille, yksityiskohtainen suunnittelu, luvat ja tarjoukset

2019 Rakentaminen

2022 Käyttöönotto

eho
75 MW
+ 75 MW)

Kapasiteetti
530 MWh
(1 054 MWh)

Vesivaraston tilavuus
162 000 m³

Yksiköt rakennetaan vaiheittain, lisäkapasiteettia mahdollista rakentaa myöhemmin

Alempi vesivarasto

Paine-kuilu
Putouskorkeus
1 400 m

Voimalaitos

Kaivoksessa sijaitsee tiettävästi maailman syvimmällä sijaitseva sauna.

Kaivoksessa te-
tutkimuksista on
49 tieteellistä ju-

LAB1 75 m
Kosmisiä säteitä
tutkiva EMMA-ko-

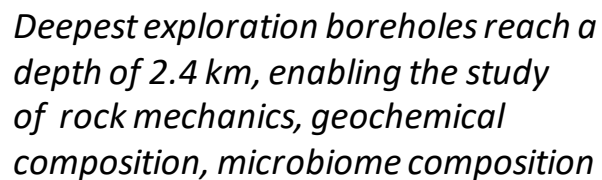
LAB4 660 m
Kasvintuotanto

LAB3 990 m
Uusi koetila, sien-
viljelykoke, radon-ko-

LAB2 1 430 m
Uusi laboratoriotila,
ensimmäisessä
kokeessa selvitetään
C-14-pitoisuutta

Voimalaitos

Su-



- Mafic volcanic 47.2%
- Felsic volcanic 36.6%
- Pegmatite 7.1%

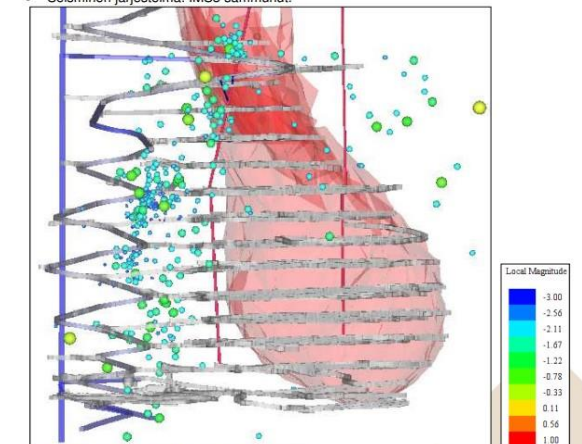
January 2023, there were 46 events between $-1.5 \dots -0.6$ Mag.



16/2/18 06:00 – 19/2/18 06:00

Mag	Pvm	Aika	Taso	Kommentit

- Merkittävät tapahtumat: 3 merkittävää tapahtumaa (>0.5Mag).
- Kaikki tapahtumat: 356 (-3.8...-0.2Mag).
- Eniten tapahtumia: Kaatonosuuden ja VT:n välillä. Seisemiset klusterit: +1050...+1075-tasovälillä TN2:n ja VT:n välillä, +1125-tasolla TN2:n ja minausperän välissä, +1175...+1225-tasovälillä KN1:llä, +1275...+1300-tasovälillä KN1:n ja VT:n välillä, +1350-tasolla KN2:n ja VT:n alueella.
- Louhosräjäytykset:
 - KN 1 & 2: 226 tapahtumaa (-3.8...-0.6Mag) – ei merkittäviä tapahtumia.
 - Täyttönousu (yläosa): ei tapahtumia – ei merkittäviä tapahtumia.
 - Timonkuuli: 14 tapahtumaa (-3.8...-0.4Mag) – 1 merkittävä tapahtuma.
- Raportoituja vaurioita: -
- Seisminen järjestelmä: IMS5 sammutun.



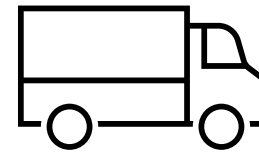
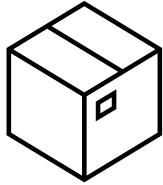
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Access and transport

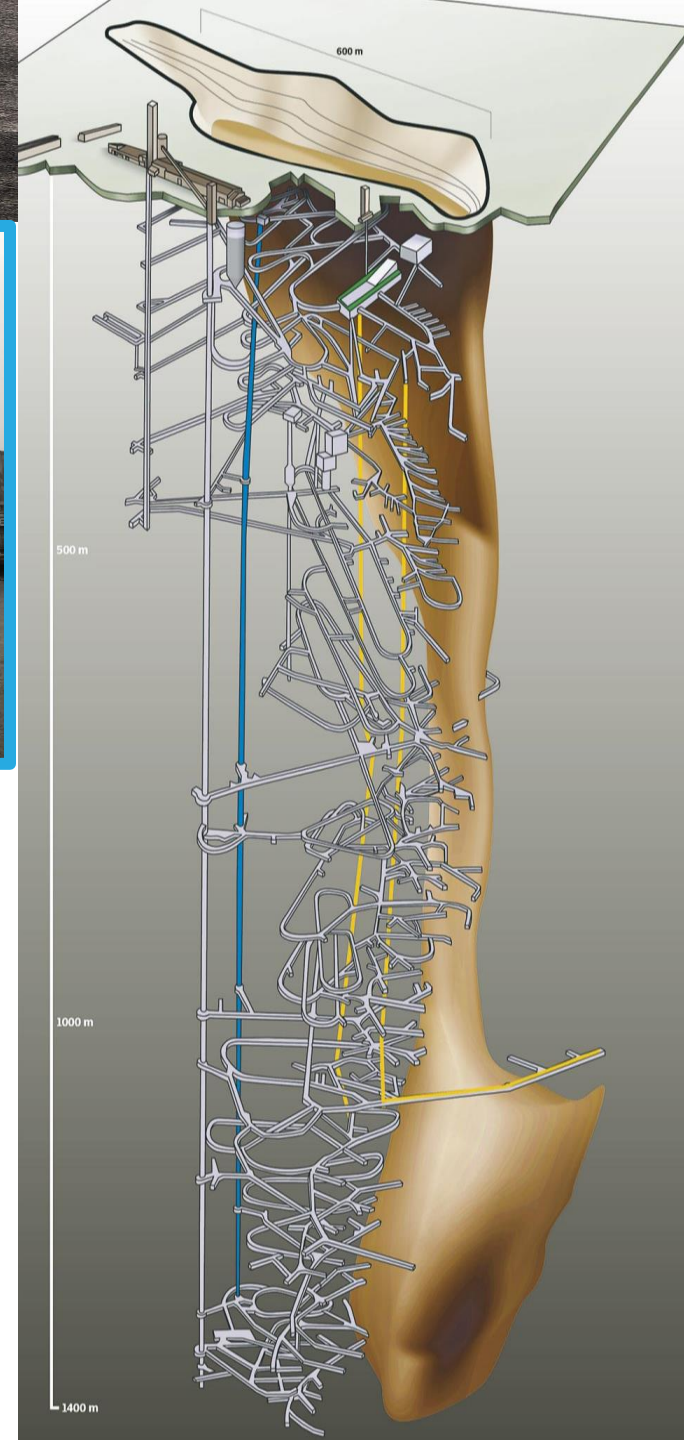
Elevator from surface to main level takes 3 minutes

Incline tunnel leads from the surface to the bottom, is 11 km long and takes about 30-40 minutes to drive



Tunnel can accommodate 20 ft containers

Train tracks directly to mine site from Kokkola port





Main level at +1410 meters underground



Basic information:

- Research space rented from mine reuse operator on project basis
- 2 permanent staff, 40+ visiting researchers per year
- Project-based and utilising whole mine environment
- An EPOS Research Infrastructure (ESFRI, 2020)
- A FIN-EPOS Infrastructure (FIRI, 2020)
- Member of DULIA network and collaborating with CELLAR network
- Founding member of European Underground Laboratories Association (EUL, BSUIN projects) [Undergroundlabs.network](https://undergroundlabs.network)

For more information on past research and experiments, please visit:
www.calliolab.com
www.oulu.fi/en/callio-lab



Education and training



Future food & Underground farming



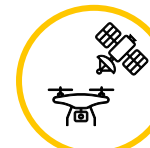
Mining & tunnelling



SpaceLab



Mine reuse



Earth Observation and remote sensing



Geothermal research



Deep underground low background facility



Working environment



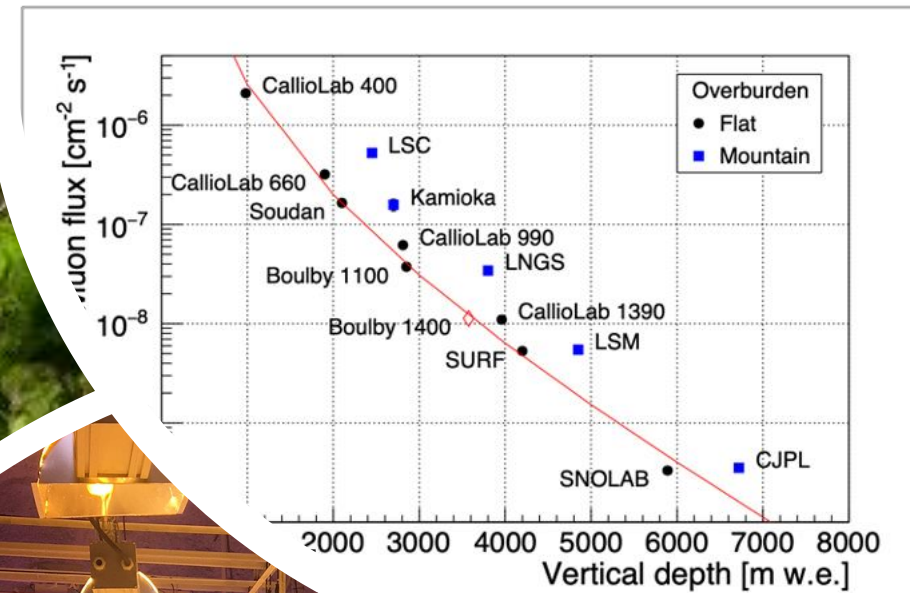
Particle physics & muography



Underground H&S



Something new?



GREENHOUSE LAB

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Approved funding applications since establishment in 2015

- BSUIN/Baltic Sea Underground Innovation Network 2017-2020 (Interreg)
- Underground farming 2017-2018 (EU ERDF)
- Energy Mine 2017-2020 (EU ERDF)
- Intelligent Lighting in Mine 2018-2019 (Finnish Work Environment Fund)
- Edible Insects 2018-2021 (EU ERDF)
- MINETRAIN 2018-2021 (EIT Raw Materials)
- Underground Rescue 2019-2022 (EU ERDF)
- Empowering Underground Labs 2020-2021 (Interreg)
- GoldenEye 2020-2023 (Horizon 2020)
- NordicEPOS 2020-2023
- Mine.io 2023-2026 (Horizon Europe)



H2020 GoldenEye project:

- Platform for satellites, drones, and in-situ sensors to collect high-resolution data of mine sites, which can be processed and converted into actionable intelligence for safety, environmental monitoring and overall productivity, allowing more efficient exploration, extraction and closure.
- VTT coordinated 10.7 M€ H2020 Innovation Action –project



Callio Lab partner role:

- Provide ground truths and reference data
- Evaluate piloted techniques
- Installations and preparations
- Characterise process and protocols
- Define measuring areas and regions of interest
- Facilitators and operators on-site to assist partners
- Liaison connecting academia, project collaborations, mine stakeholders and society.

Horizon Europe Mine.io project:

- [A Holistic Digital Mine 4.0 Ecosystem](#) is a project focused on industrialization, informatization and sustainable development of the mining sector
- GFT Italy Coordinated 14 M€ Horizon Europe –project
- University of Oulu Mining School will develop and apply a combination of electric resistivity imaging (ERI) and active- and passive-source seismic imaging to map the subsurface structure of tailings embankment and retrieve hydrogeological and elastic parameters

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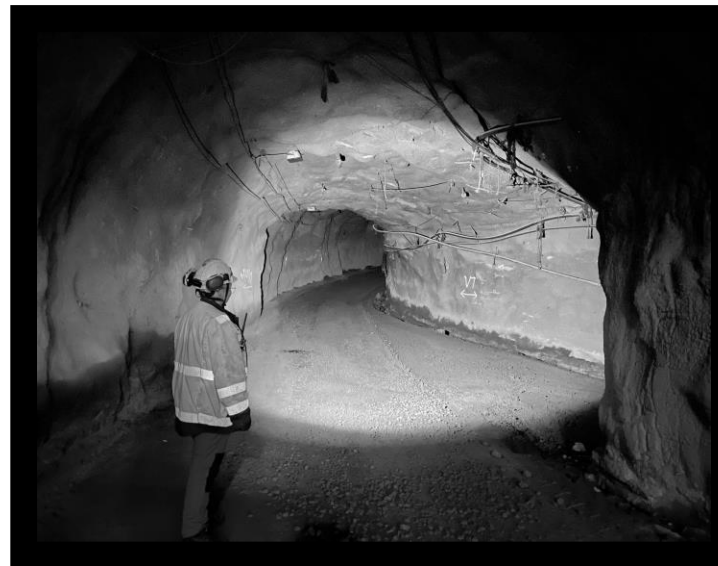
Honorary mention to Callio Lab's own Jari Joutsenvaara, who is busy coordinating his own Horizon Europe project
[AGEMERA](#)

Callio Lab role:

- is to host art residences, events underground
- [More-than-Planet DeepLAB](#) symposium 2023
- More-than-Planet residencies 2023-2024

More-than-Planet project:

- re-examine the way people understand and picture the environment on the level of the planet as a conceptual whole
- Develop societal awareness of environmental urgencies, through novel environmental narratives in cultural and public spaces as well as in specific critical zones.
- Develop collaborative and art-driven innovation approaches with critical and creative tools for addressing today's environmental troubles.
- facilitate collaborative, transdisciplinary (artistic) research by conducting open calls, conferences, exhibitions and publications.

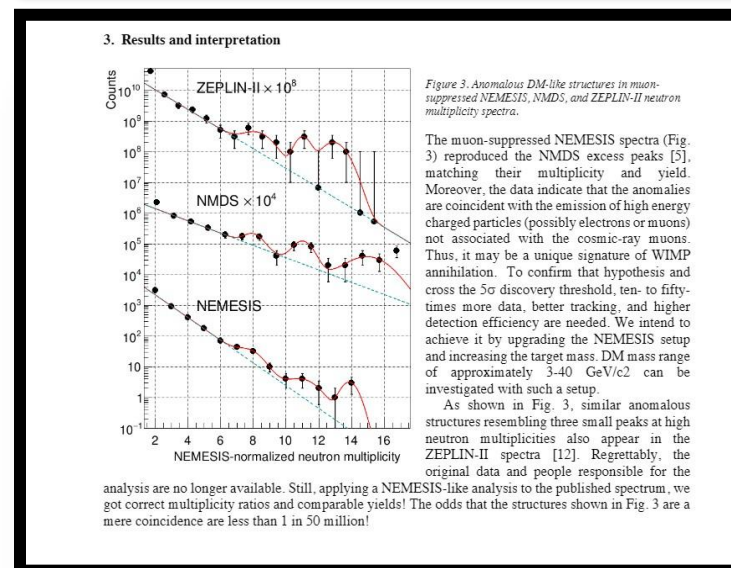
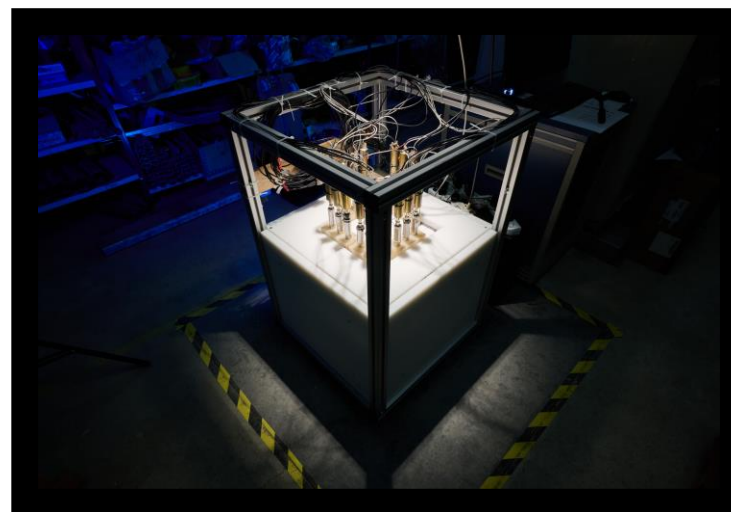


Callio Lab role:

- Facilitate and assist with experiment deployment, installation, and maintenance
- we offer coordination, collaboration, networking, and facilitation
- Provide access to facilities on-site and remotely
- Established operating methods for fast deployment of new activities, especially as a site for Proof-of-Concept research

NEMESIS 1.4 DM-experiment:

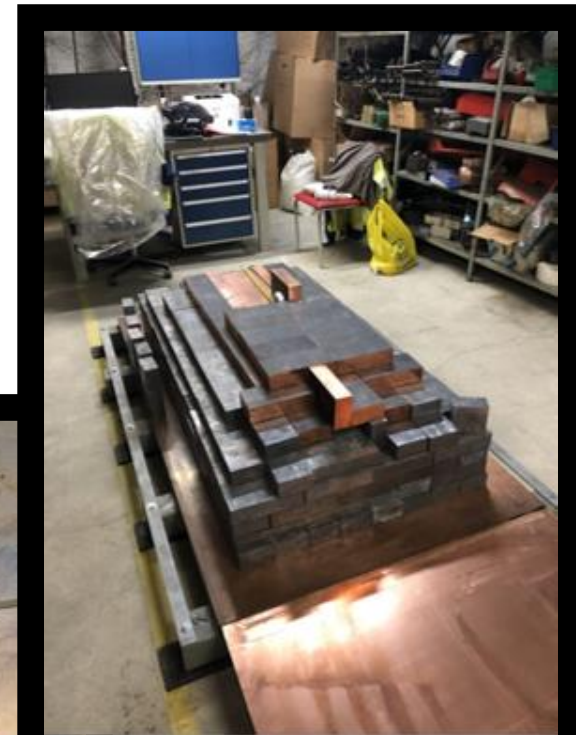
- NEutron MEasurementS In Sub-terrestrial locations
- Evidence for DM-like anomalies in neutron multiplicity spectra collected underground with Pb targets by three independent experiments: NEMESIS (at 210 m.w.e.) NMDS (at 583 m.w.e.), and ZEPLIN-II (at 2850 m.w.e.)
- new analysis shows small but persistent anomalies at high neutron multiplicities
- Upgraded setup moved to main level at 4000 m.w.e.



NEMESIS 1.4

C14-experiment:

- Measuring radioactive purity of liquid scintillator samples in respect with the concentration of ^{14}C isotope in an oil-based liquid scintillator.
- has been used to test neutrino detector samples for Jiangmen Underground Neutrino Observatory (JUNO) and for the JUNO pre-detector OSIRIS.
- The goal of the experiment is to push the detection limit of ^{14}C concentrations down to $10\text{E}-20$ or less.



★ *Status: in-between funding applications*



➤ Site description and data



- Use and access
- Competencies and quality control
- R&D possibilities
- Geological bedrock data and properties
- Stress field conditions
- Strength and deformation properties of the rock
- Hydrological data and properties
- 3D point clouds
- Lists of data sources

➤ Natural background radiation scheme



- Neutron flux
- Muon flux
- Gamma ray background
- Radioisotope content in rock and water
- Radon concentration in air

➤ LAGUNA LBNO site investigations *available on request*



Links to articles:

[Natural background radiation at Lab 2 of Callio Lab, Pyhäsalmi mine in Finland](#)

[Measurements of gamma-ray background in Pyhäsalmi Mine](#)

[Callio Lab – the deep underground research centre in Finland, Europe](#)

[Characteristics of natural radiation background at the Callio Lab \(Finland\) performed within the BSUIN project](#)

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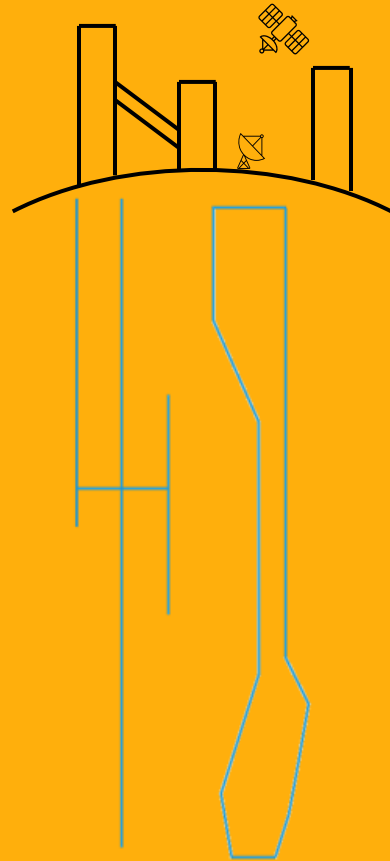


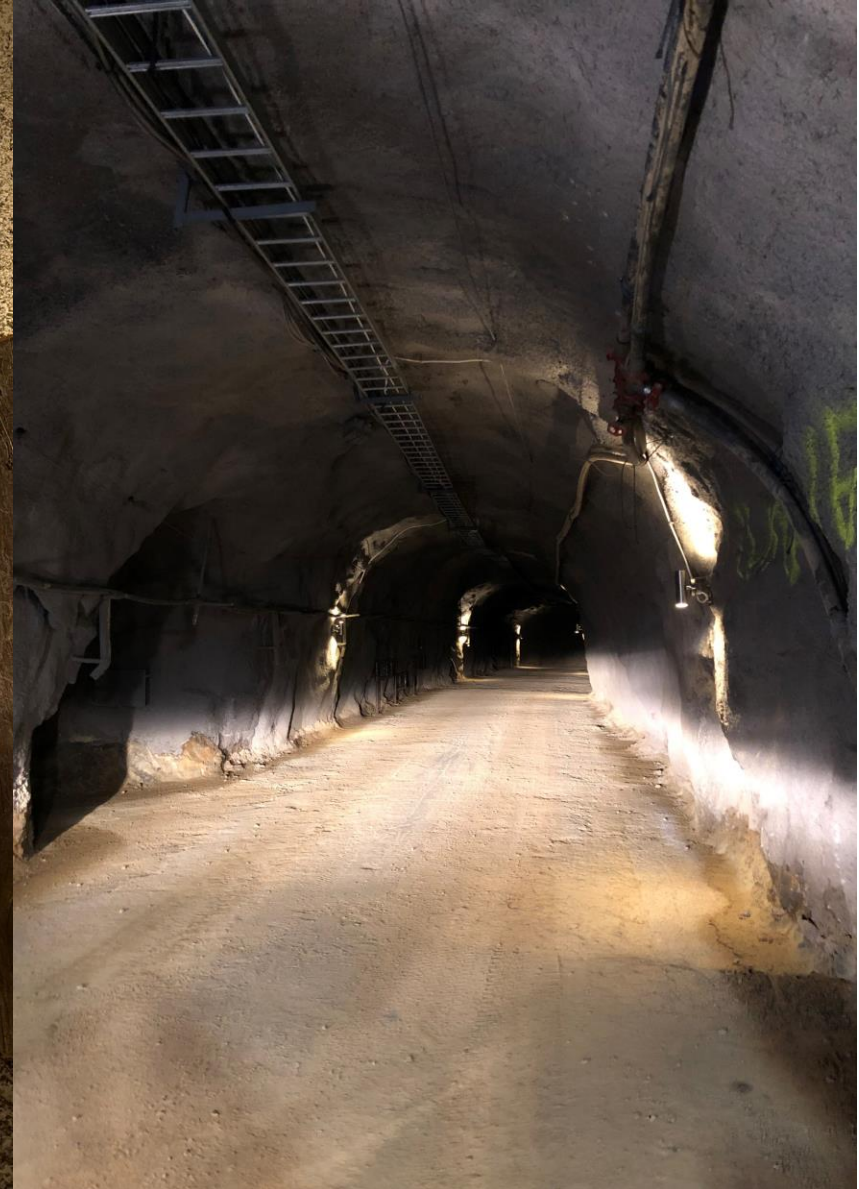
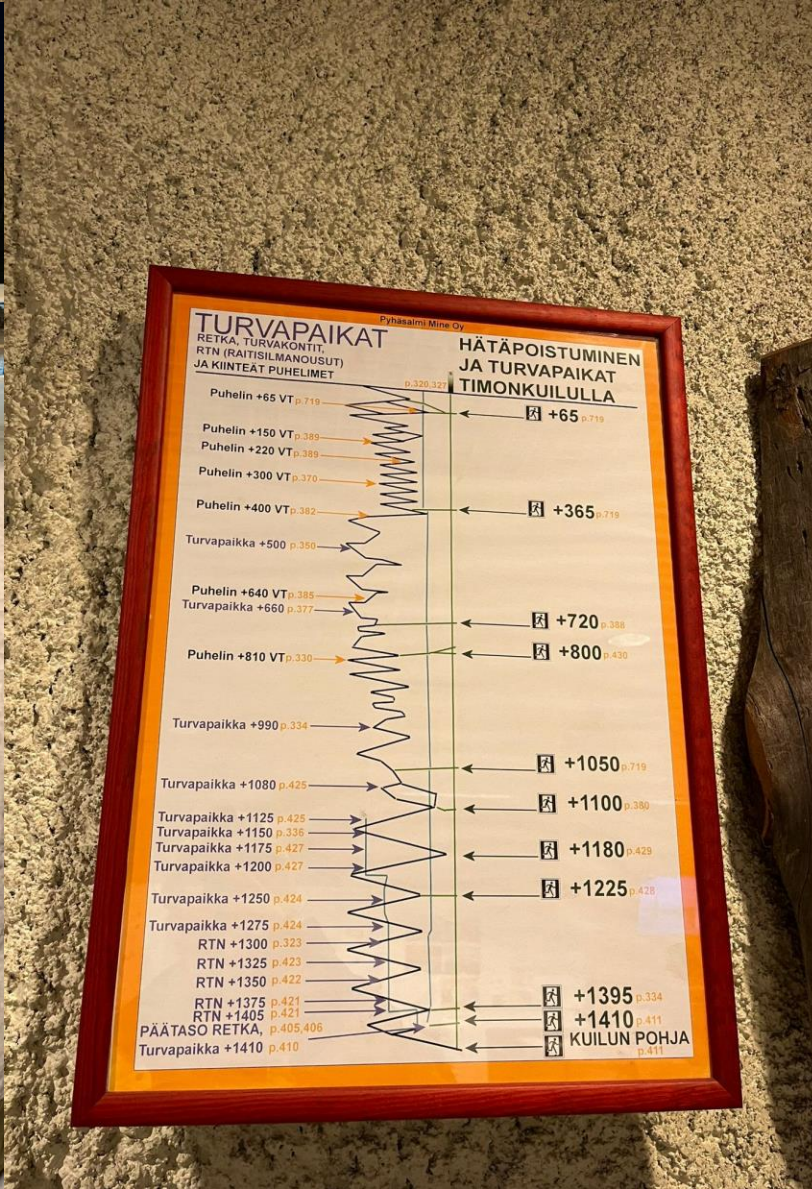
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