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Astroparticle Physics European Consortium

# **Report from APPEC:**

# **Strategy in Astroparticle Physics**

## **The European View**

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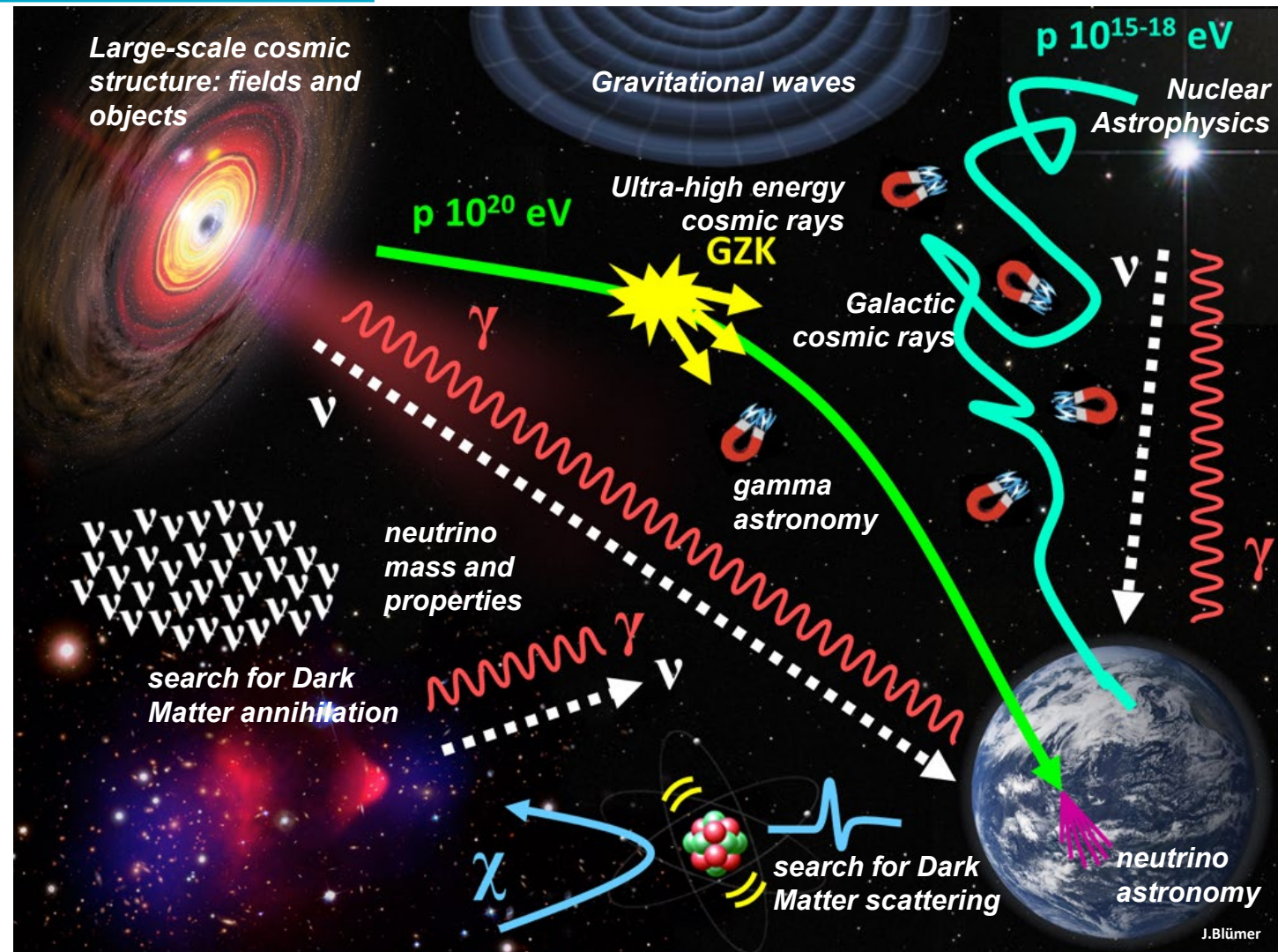
# Astroparticle Physics

Astroparticle Physics is a branch of fundamental science embedded in environment and society!

## Understanding the Multi-Messenger and the Dark Universe

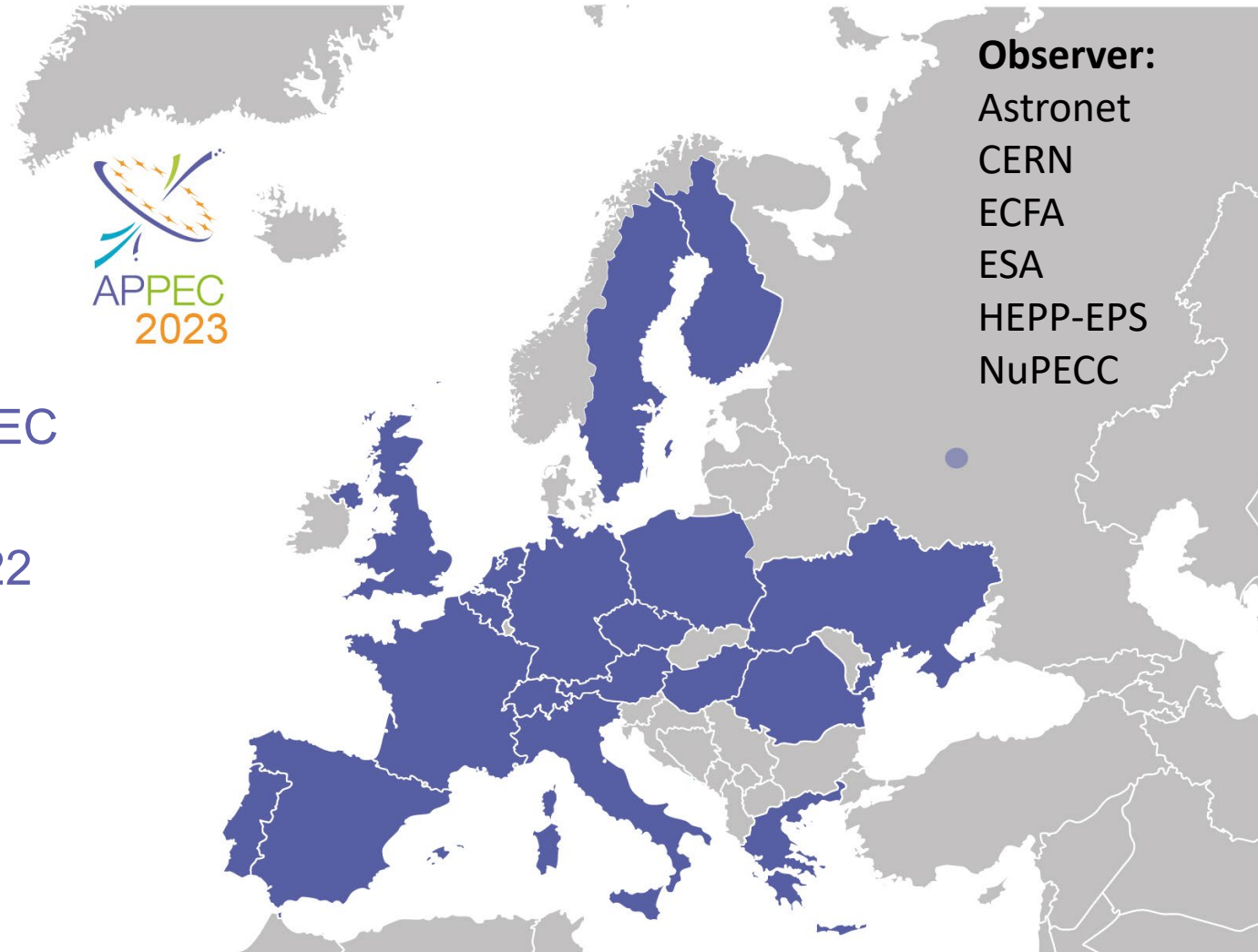
Wikipedia:

While it may be difficult to decide on a standard 'textbook' description of the field of astroparticle physics, the field can be characterized by the topics of research that are actively being pursued.



## AstroParticle Physics European Consortium

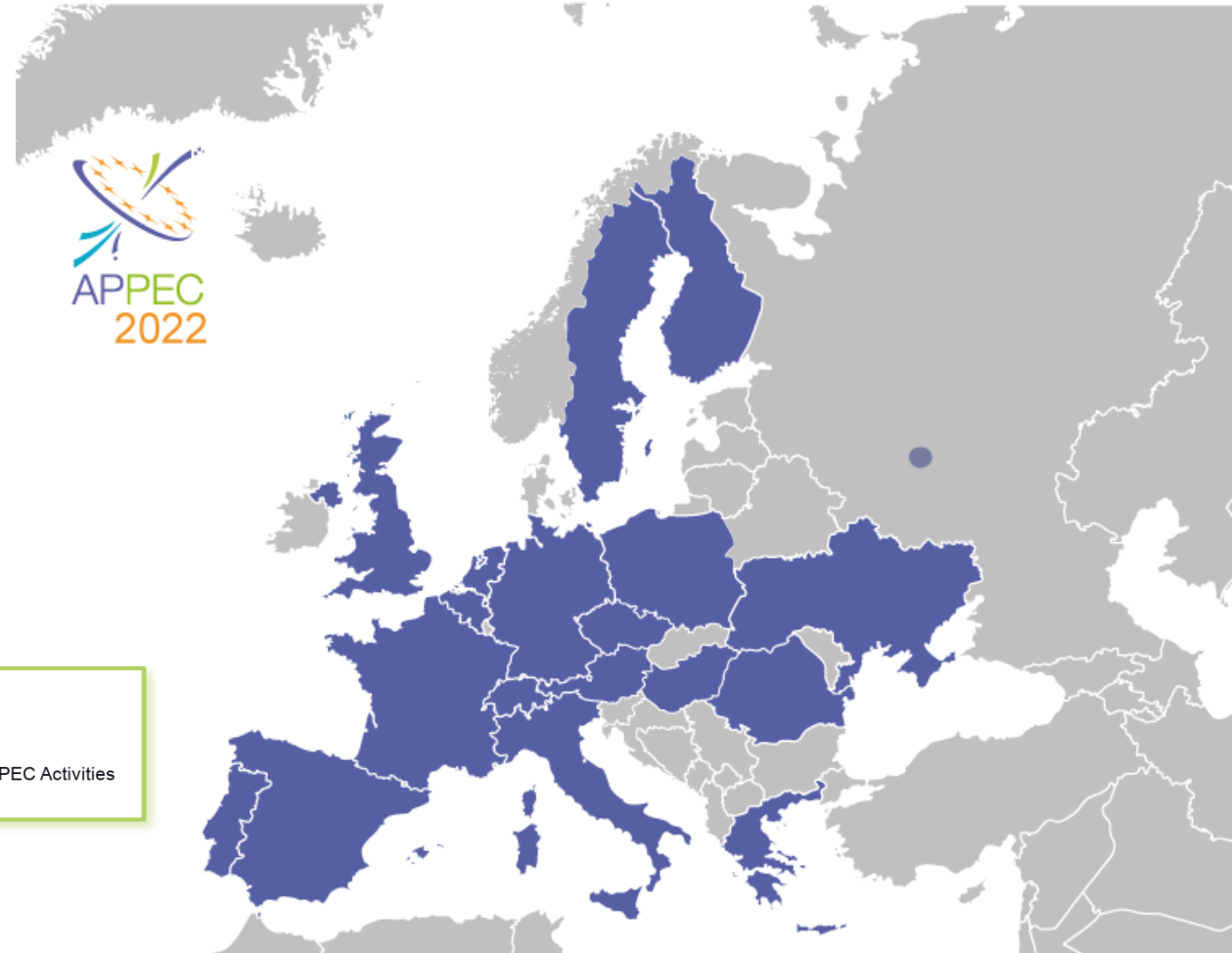
- an international coordinating structure, founded in 2012
- Based on MoUs by all partners and an APPEC Common Fund with c. 70k€/year
- 18 (+1 suspended) member countries with 22 funding agencies
- 3 bodies:
  - General Assembly with Observers
  - Scientific Advisory Committee;
  - Joint Secretary



# APPEC bodies

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

- **General Assembly**
  - Strategic, decision making and supervisory body
  - Representatives of funding agencies
  - Chair: Andreas Haungs (KIT);
  - Vice-Chair: Antoine Kouchner (APC)
- **Scientific Advisory Committee**
  - Advisory body
  - Chair: Sijbrand de Jong (Nijmegen) – change for 2024;
  - Vice-Chair: Silvia Pascoli (Bologna) – change for 2024
- **Joint Secretariat (distributed office)**
  - Executive body chaired by the General Secretary
  - General Secretary: Katharina Henjes-Kunst (DESY)
- **Observer**
  - CERN (Joachim Mnich)
  - ECFA (Karl Jakobs)
  - NuPECC (Marek Lewitowicz)
  - Astronet (NN)
  - ESO (Andy Williams)
  - EPS-HEPP (Ramon Miquel)





# APPEC tasks

Guarantee **Coordination** of European Astroparticle Physics in Europe between **funding agencies** and **visibility** at Ministry level through:

- Structured **scientific advising** (SAC, dedicated panels to specific challenges)
- Development and update of **roadmaps** based on scientific strategies and financial considerations
- Establish **relations** with other bodies in **companion fields**
- Initiate activities within **Horizon Europe**
- Express **collective views** on APP in international fora
- Organise **Town meetings**
- Support relevant **meetings/schools** of the community
- Organize **TechFora** and Open Calls
- Engagement with **society** (Outreach, Education,...)
- Contribute to **Working Groups** (R&D panel, Individual Recognition, Early Scientist career, Science WGs) and **Organisations** (EuCAPT...) and **JENA**

to support the **Astroparticle Physics** community

## APPEC is

- Helping in coordination of **large-scale RI**
- Helping in transition of **mid-scale** experiments to large-scale RI
- Helping in support of **small-scale** and R&D experiments

# APPEC Roadmaps

<https://www.appec.org/roadmap>

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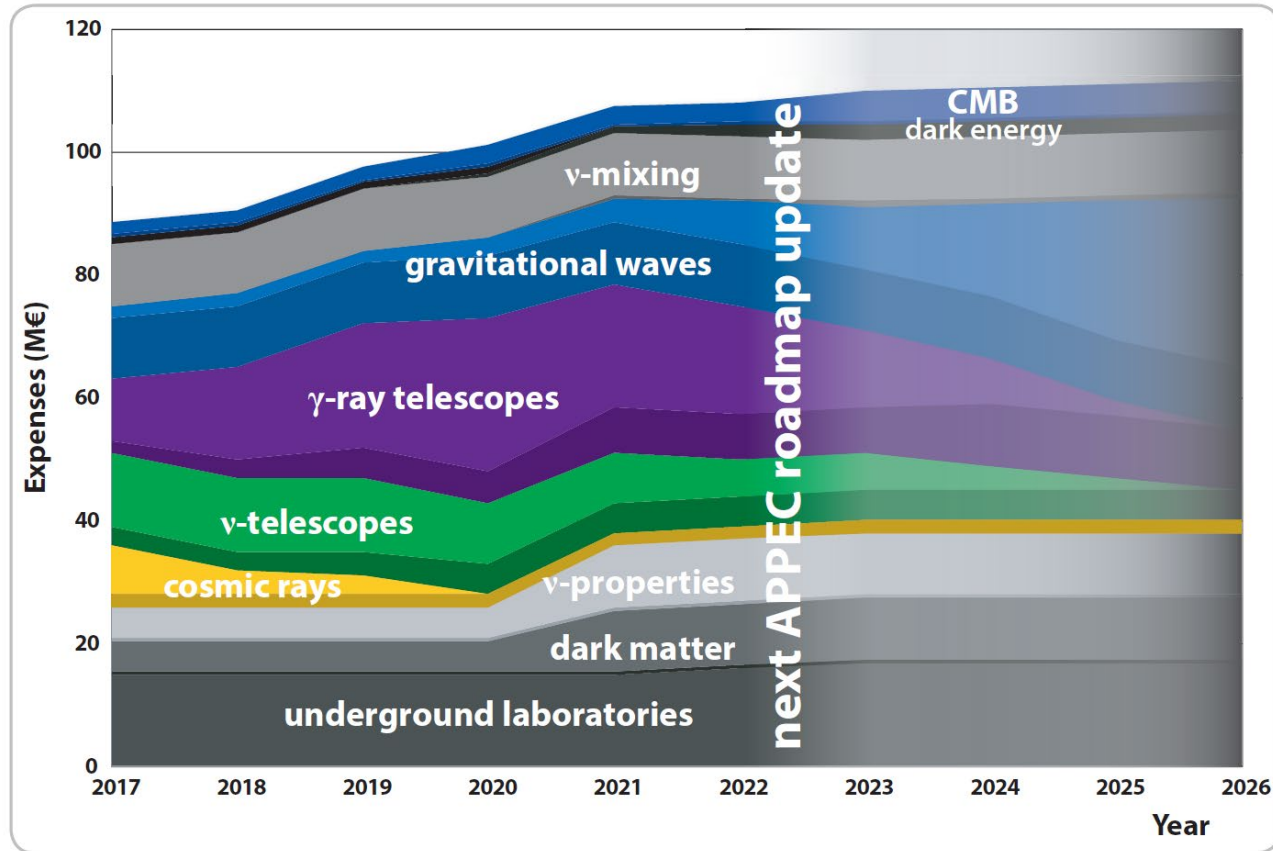
2011



2017



# Midterm Evaluation and Update of the Roadmap



From Roadmap 2017: Projected annual capital investment

- A resource aware roadmap  
(darker colors also show M&O of RI)
- Midterm Evaluation: Preparation of roadmap update
  - Direct Dark Matter working group
  - Double Beta Decay APPEC Sub-Committee
  - Multi-Messenger Discussion Workshops
  - Coordination workshop of Underground Labs
  - Town Meeting June 2022  
<https://indico.desy.de/event/25372/>
  - Census / Survey of time and cost lines
- Goals
  - Identify new developments and new topics
  - Update recommendations
  - Update of time and cost line



# APPEC roadmap - scientific topics

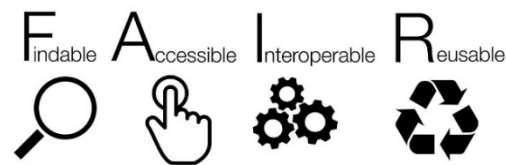
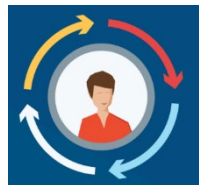
- High-energy gamma rays
- High-energy neutrinos
- High-energy cosmic rays
- Gravitational waves
- WIMP Dark Matter
- Non-WIMP Dark Matter
- Neutrino mass and nature
- Neutrino mixing and mass ordering
- Cosmic Microwave Background
- Dark Energy
- Multi-messenger astroparticle physics
- Astroparticle theory
- Detector R&D
- Computing and data policies





# Roadmap - Connecting to Society and Organisation

- Ecological Impact
- Societal Impact
- Open Science and Citizen Science
- Human Talent Management
- Central Infrastructures
- European and Global Cooperation
- Interdisciplinary Opportunities



# JENA Computing



- JENA Computing Workshop in Bologna: 12-14 June 2023
- <https://agenda.infn.it/event/34738/>
- Motivation: JENAS 2022 → There is a need for a European Workshop on (federated) Computing! → Preparation for JENAS 2025
- 60-70 participants plus up to 25 online
- Topics are all aspects of (federated) computing by talks, round table discussions, initiation of JENA working group, ...
- Covering computing, HPC vs. HTC, software, data management, open data, sustainability

## JENA Computing Workshop

12 Jun 2023, 12:00 → 14 Jun 2023, 18:00 Europe/Rome

Auditorium Biagi (Biblioteca Salaborsa)

Andreas Haungs (Karlsruhe Institute of Technology) , Claudio Grandi (Istituto Nazionale di Fisica Nucleare) , Luca Dell'Agnello (Istituto Nazionale di Fisica Nucleare)

### Description



To be held as in-person meeting in Bologna, Italy.

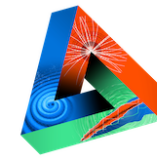


### Motivation

At the Joint ECFA-NuPECC-APPEC (JENA) Seminar in May 2022 in Madrid (<https://indico.cern.ch/event/1040535/>), both the plenary presentations and the closed session of funding agency representatives revealed that there is an increased need for discussions on the strategy and implementation of European federated computing at future large-scale research facilities.



# JENA Computing



**JENAA**

Joint ECFA-NuPECC-APPEC Activities



- **Results:**

- **Target: European white paper on (ENA) computing as input for the next JENA Symposium**
- **Dedicated working groups (to look deeper) on five areas:**
  - HPC integration in the HTC federated infrastructures (chair: Gonzalo Merino, Simone Campana)
  - Software and Heterogeneous Architectures (chair: Graeme Stewart, N.N.)
  - Federate Data Management, Virtual Research Environments and FAIR/Open Data (=ESCAPE) (chair: Ian Bird, N.N.)
  - Machine Learning and Artificial Intelligence (chair: Sascha Caron, N.N.)
  - Training, Dissemination, Education (chair: the ENA chairs)

- **Next:**

- **Searching for participation in the working groups from Astroparticle Physics**
- **Building the WGs with dedicated meetings**



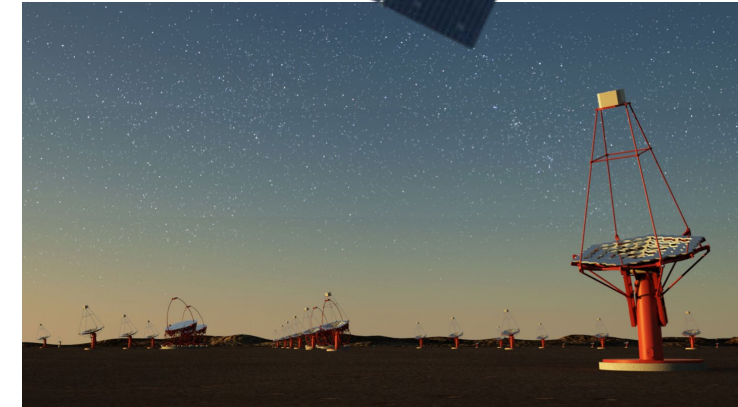


# High-Energy Gamma Rays

- Covers large energy range with different observatories
- Satellites (Fermi, AMEGO (launch 2029), Theseus)
- Imaging Air Cherenkov Telescopes (H.E.S.S., Veritas, MAGIC)
- Ground-based arrays (GRAPES, TAIGA, HAWC, LHAASO, SWGO)
- Main future project within APPEC: [CTA](#) (ESFRI)



VERITAS



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LHAASO



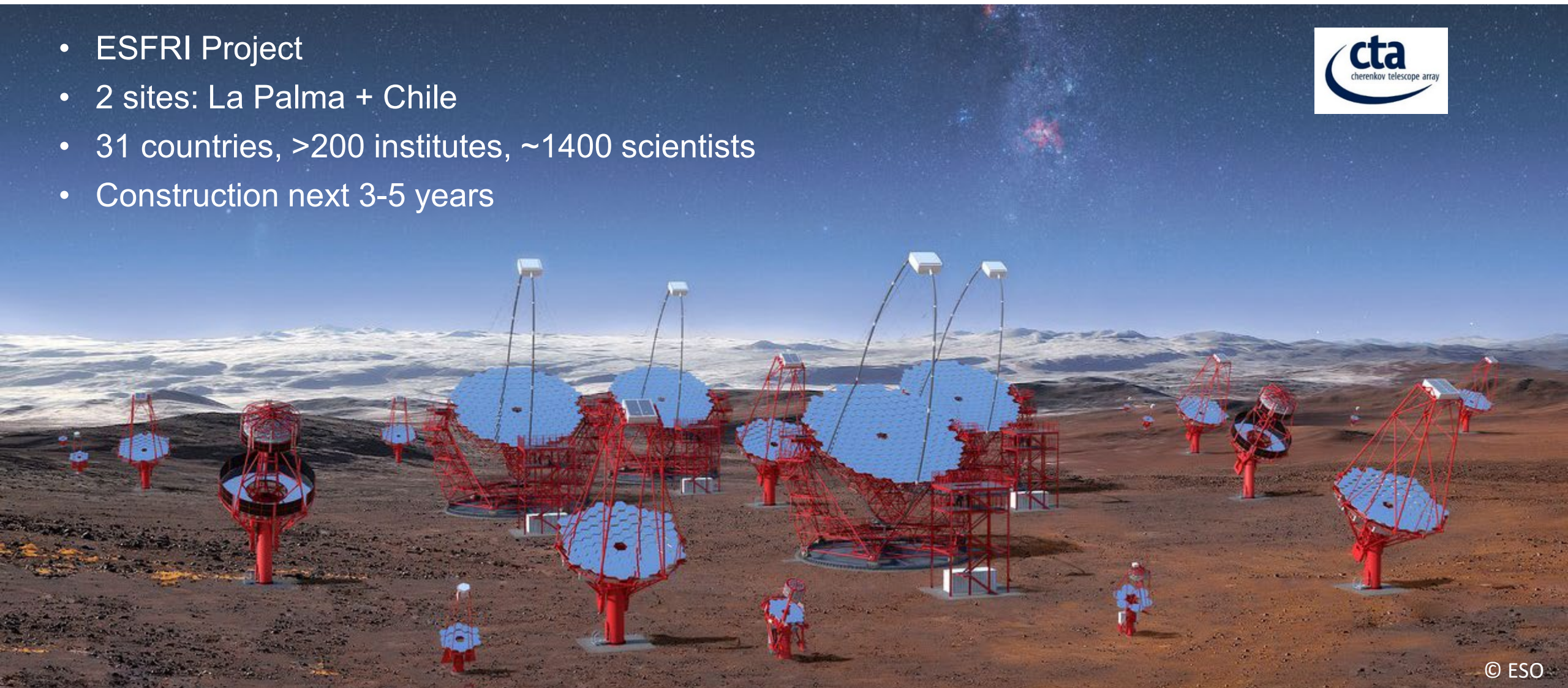
HAWC





# Cherenkov Telescope Array – CTA

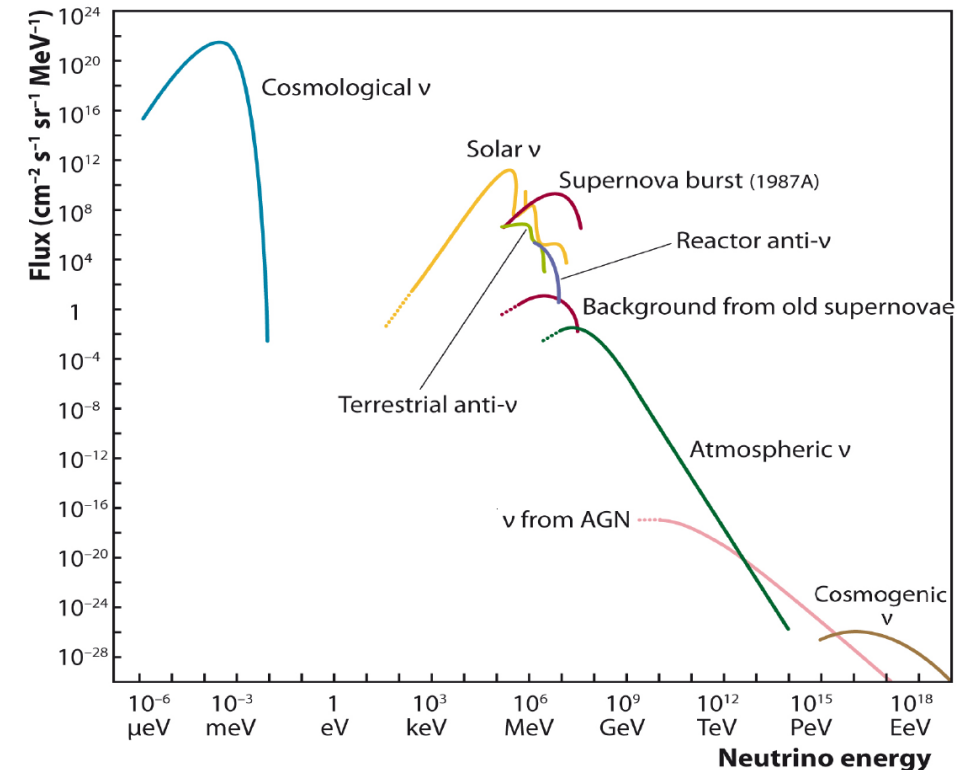
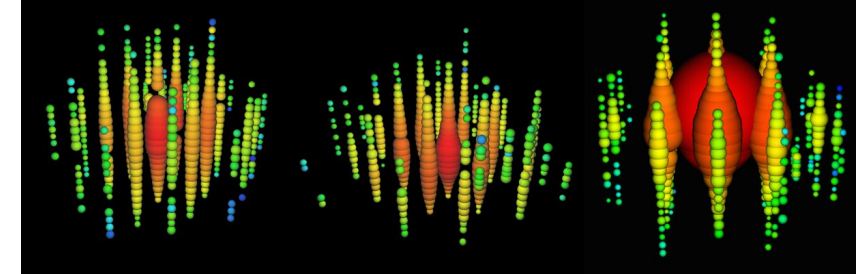
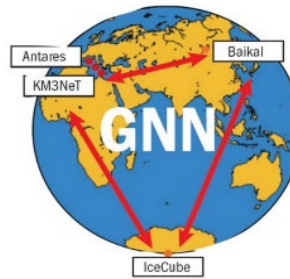
- ESFRI Project
- 2 sites: La Palma + Chile
- 31 countries, >200 institutes, ~1400 scientists
- Construction next 3-5 years



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# High-Energy Neutrino Astronomy

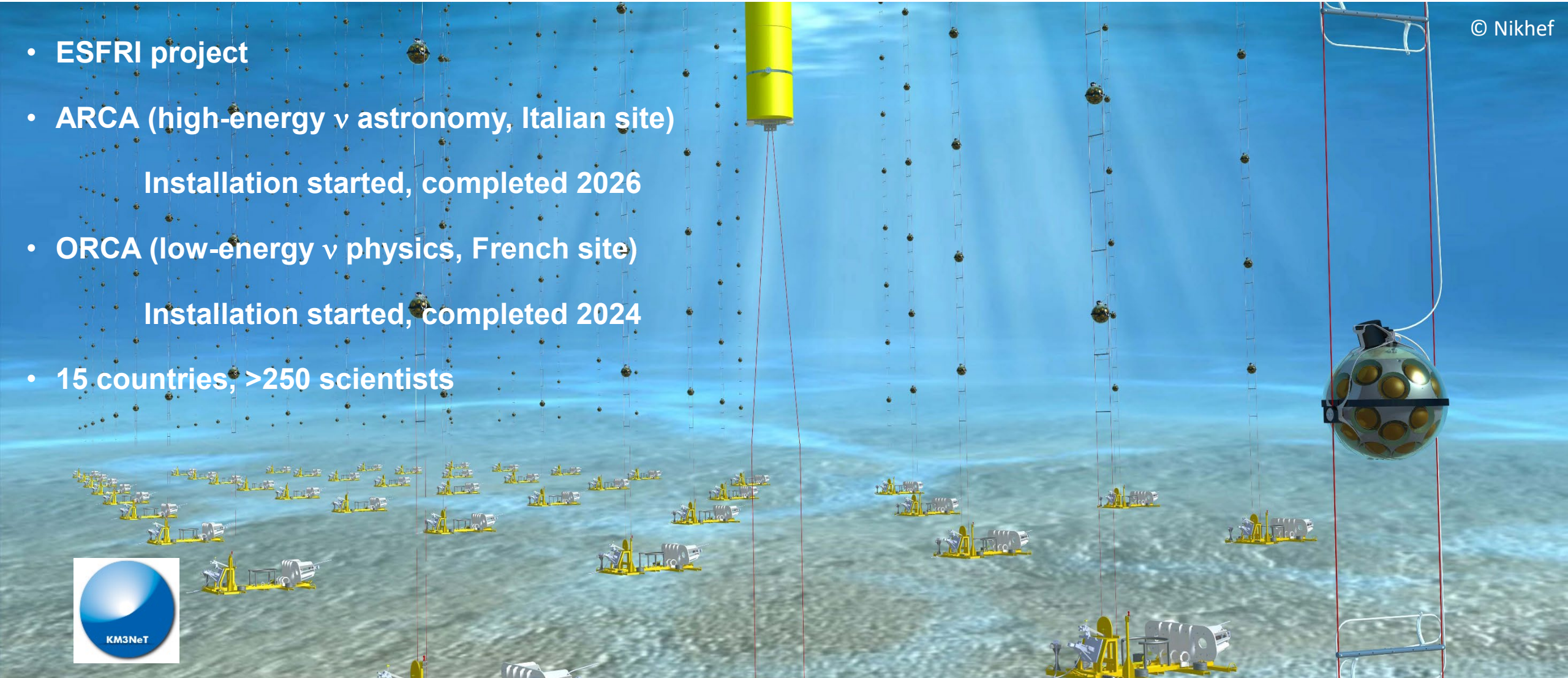
- IceCube opened in 2013 the new window of  $>100$  TeV neutrino astronomy
- Several experiments are now organized in the Global Neutrino Network GNN:
  - IceCube  $\rightarrow$  IceCube-Gen2
  - Antares  $\rightarrow$  KM3NeT
  - Baikal-GVD (co-operation stalled)
- R&D phase (in particular for cosmogenic Neutrinos): P-ONE, RNO-G, POEMMA, ANITA, GRAND, Trident, ...
- European flagship (ESFRI): [KM3NeT](#)
- Strong partner of US lead [IceCube-Gen2](#)





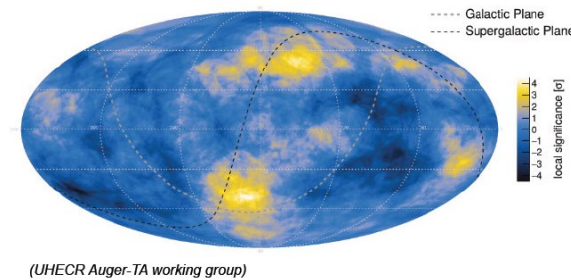
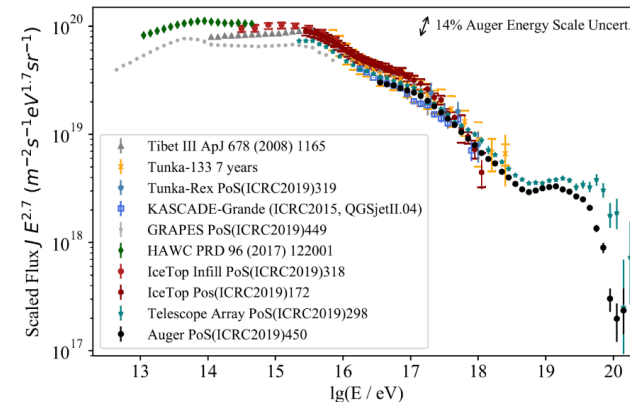
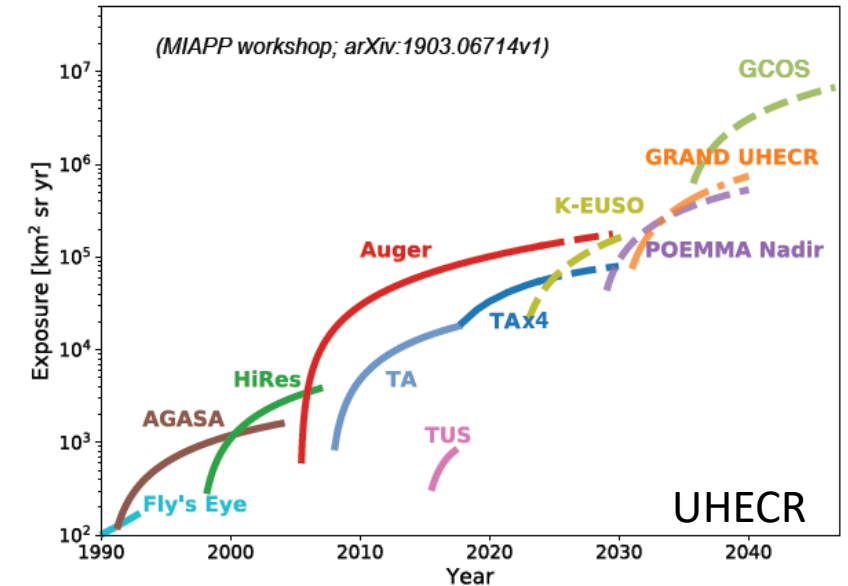
# Cubic Kilometre Neutrino Telescope – KM3NeT

- ESFRI project
- ARCA (high-energy  $\nu$  astronomy, Italian site)  
Installation started, completed 2026
- ORCA (low-energy  $\nu$  physics, French site)  
Installation started, completed 2024
- 15 countries, >250 scientists



# High-Energy Cosmic Rays

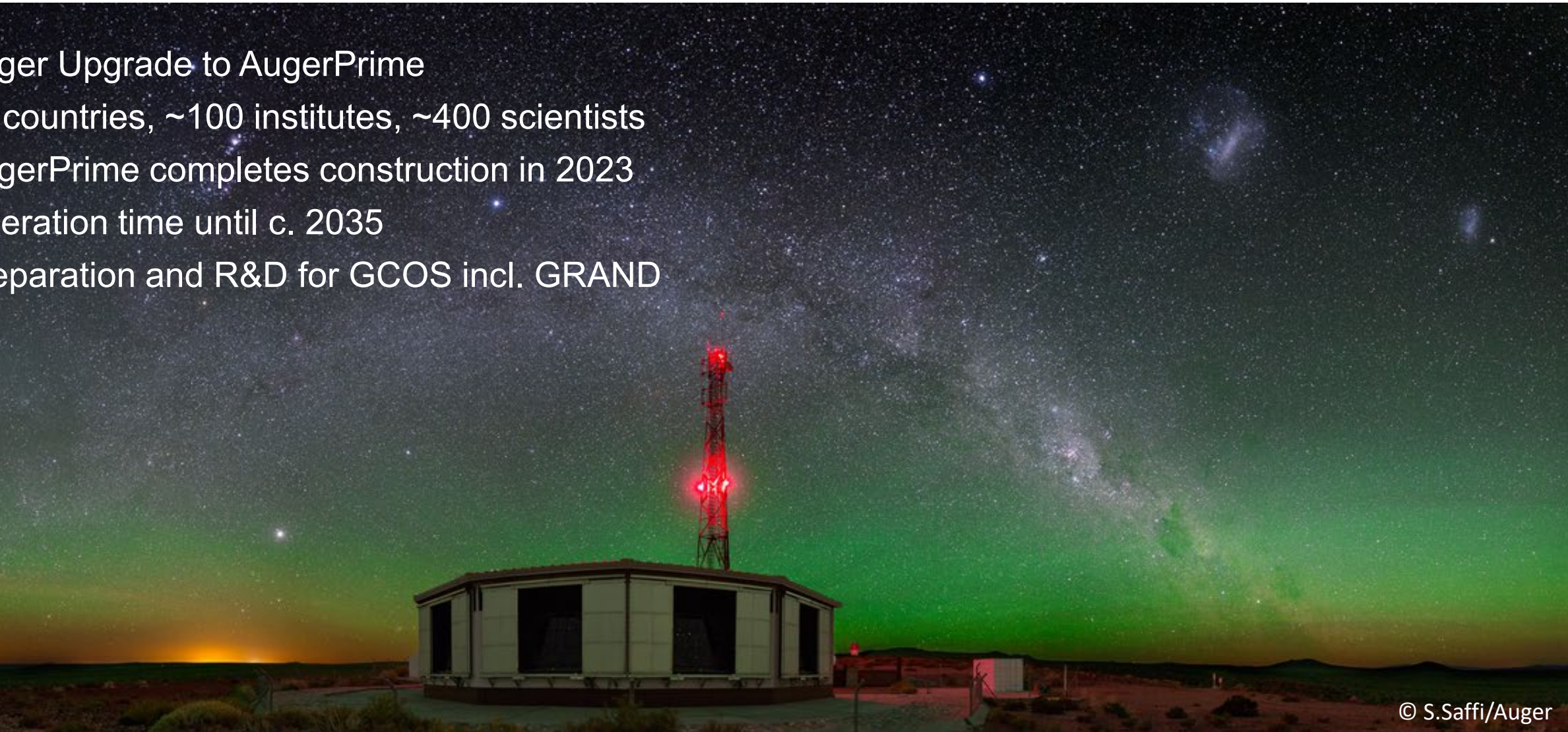
- Accuracy of measurements in all energy ranges increased dramatically in last 2 decades, but still:
  - Transition energy range ?
  - Hadronic Interaction models ?
  - Composition and Anisotropies at all energies?
  - Suppression mechanism?
- **Pierre Auger Observatory** is major experiment
- Highest energies: extensions to TAx4, AugerPrime
- At lower energy (LHAASO, IceCube-Gen2)
- Plus future projects: POEMMA, GRAND, GCOS (global, cost effective, sustainable, experiments)





# Pierre Auger Observatory

- Auger Upgrade to AugerPrime
- 18 countries, ~100 institutes, ~400 scientists
- AugerPrime completes construction in 2023
- Operation time until c. 2035
- Preparation and R&D for GCOS incl. GRAND

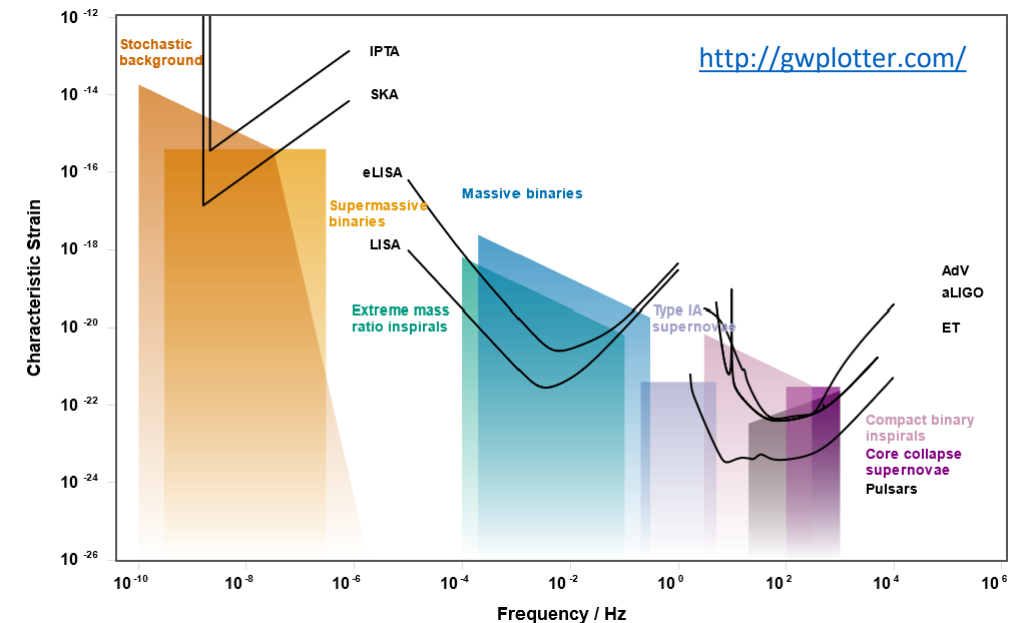
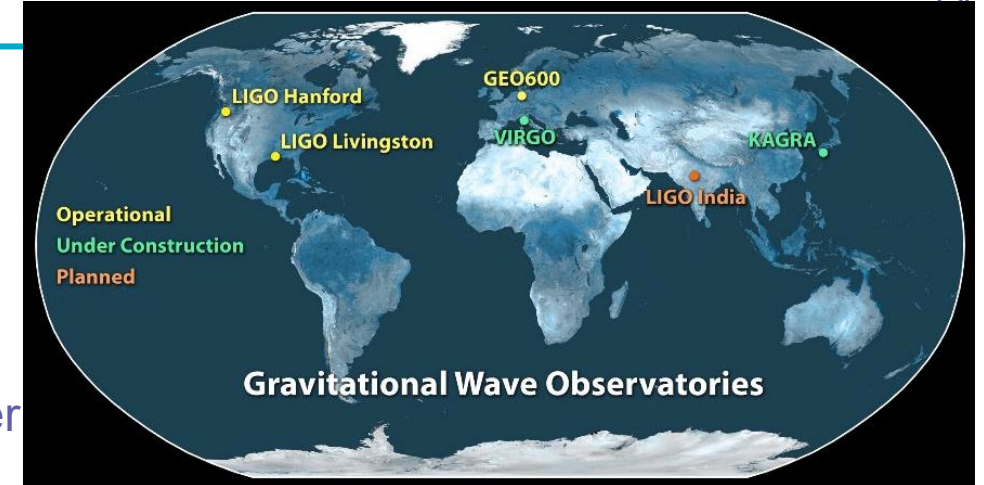
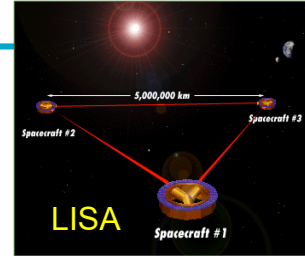


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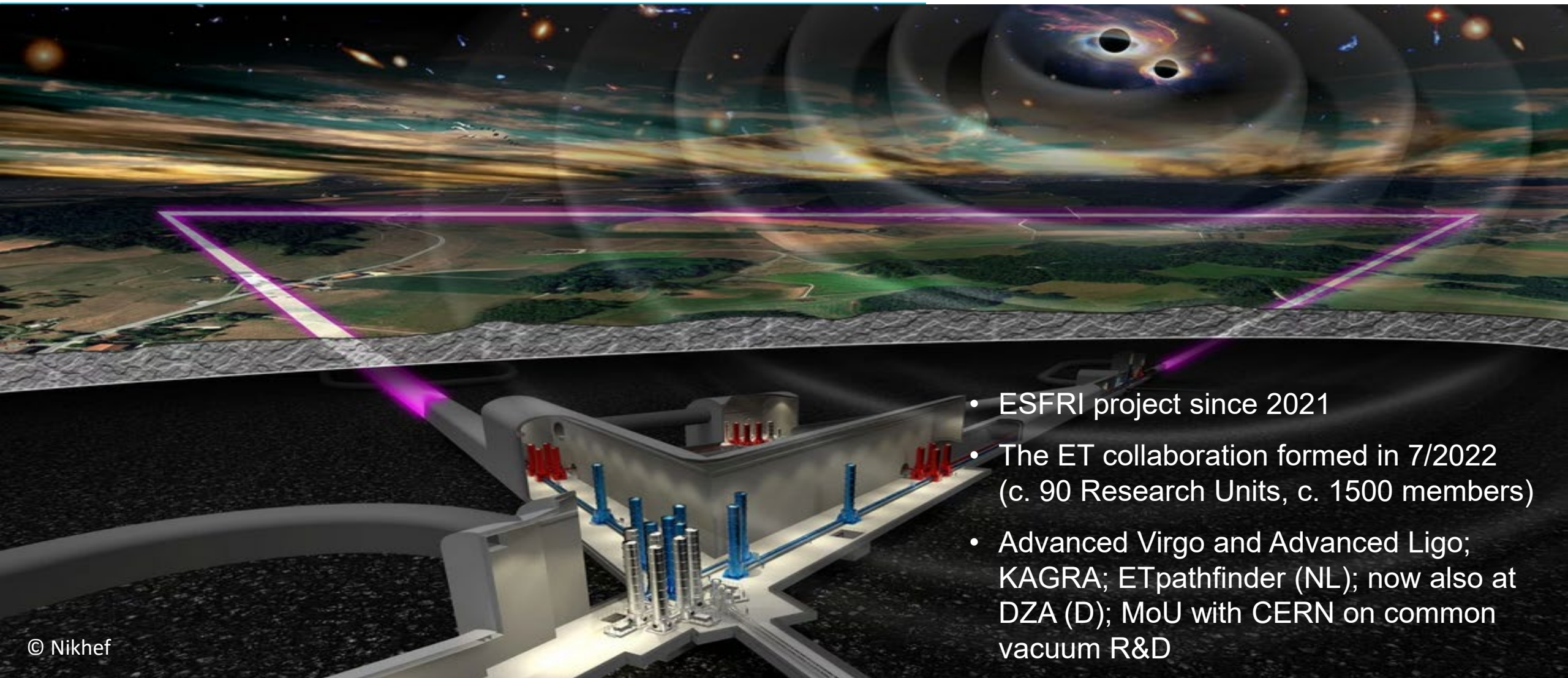


# Gravitational Waves

- 2015: First direct detection by LIGO / Virgo
- 2022+: Data taking with aLIGO and aVirgo
  - Volume of visible space increases by a factor 50
- 2030+: 3rd Generation: The Einstein Telescope, Cosmic Explorer
  - Volume of visible space increases by a factor 1000
- GWIC + GWAC (worldwide collaboration)
  - GWIC Gravitational Wave International Committee <https://gwic.ligo.org>
  - GWAC Gravitational Waves Agencies Correspondents
- Gravitational Waves Ground-Space complementarity
  - Einstein Telescope; Cosmic Explorer
  - LISA; e-LISA
  - Pulsar Timing Arrays; IPTA; SKA



# Einstein Telescope - ET



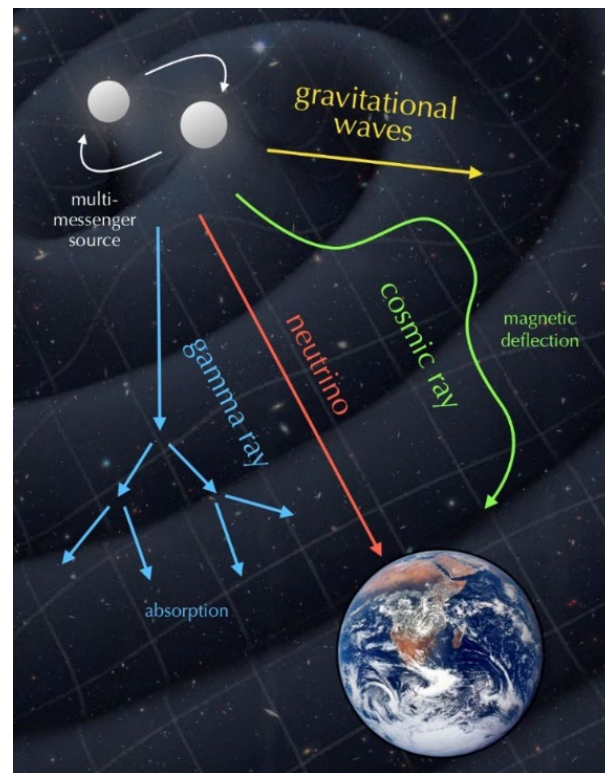
- ESFRI project since 2021
- The ET collaboration formed in 7/2022 (c. 90 Research Units, c. 1500 members)
- Advanced Virgo and Advanced Ligo; KAGRA; ETpathfinder (NL); now also at DZA (D); MoU with CERN on common vacuum R&D

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# Multi-Messenger Astroparticle Physics

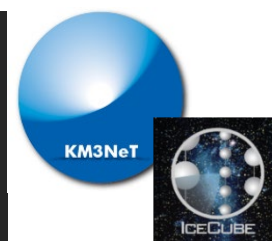
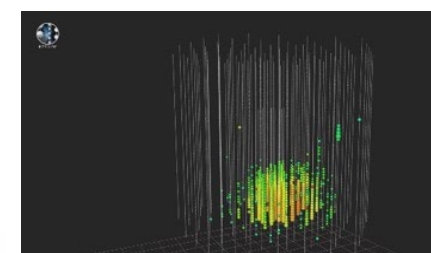
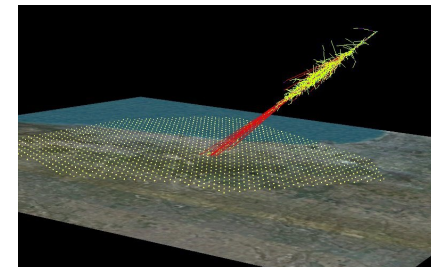
- Required to understand the sources of cosmic rays and the physics processes in the high-energy Universe
- Needs long-term operational observatories
- And a sophisticated Big Data management: Big Data Analytics; Research Data Management; Data Curation; Open Data..... preferably in real-time!



+ instruments for  
multiwavelength  
astronomy



SKAO



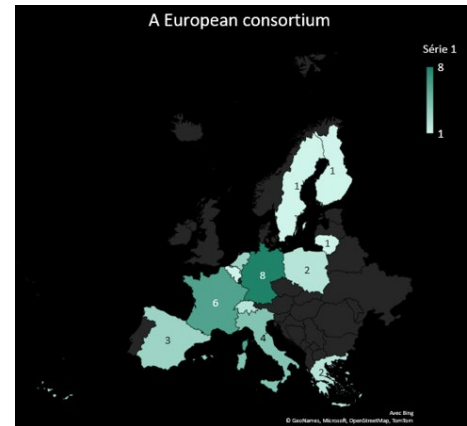


HORIZON-INFRA-2023-SERV-01-02

- Topic: **better access of users to RI services to advance frontier knowledge**, activities to improve and harmonize the access, and training for scientists.
- **ACME is set up to realize an ambitious coordinated European-wide optimization of the accessibility and cohesion between multiple leading RI, offering access to instruments, data and expertise.**
- Maximum EU contribution per project: 14.5 million euros.
- Scientific domain of interest: Astronomy & Astroparticle physics.
- Consortium: 41 partners, 15 countries, >30 research infrastructures
- Submission on March 9th, feedback in September → waiting list

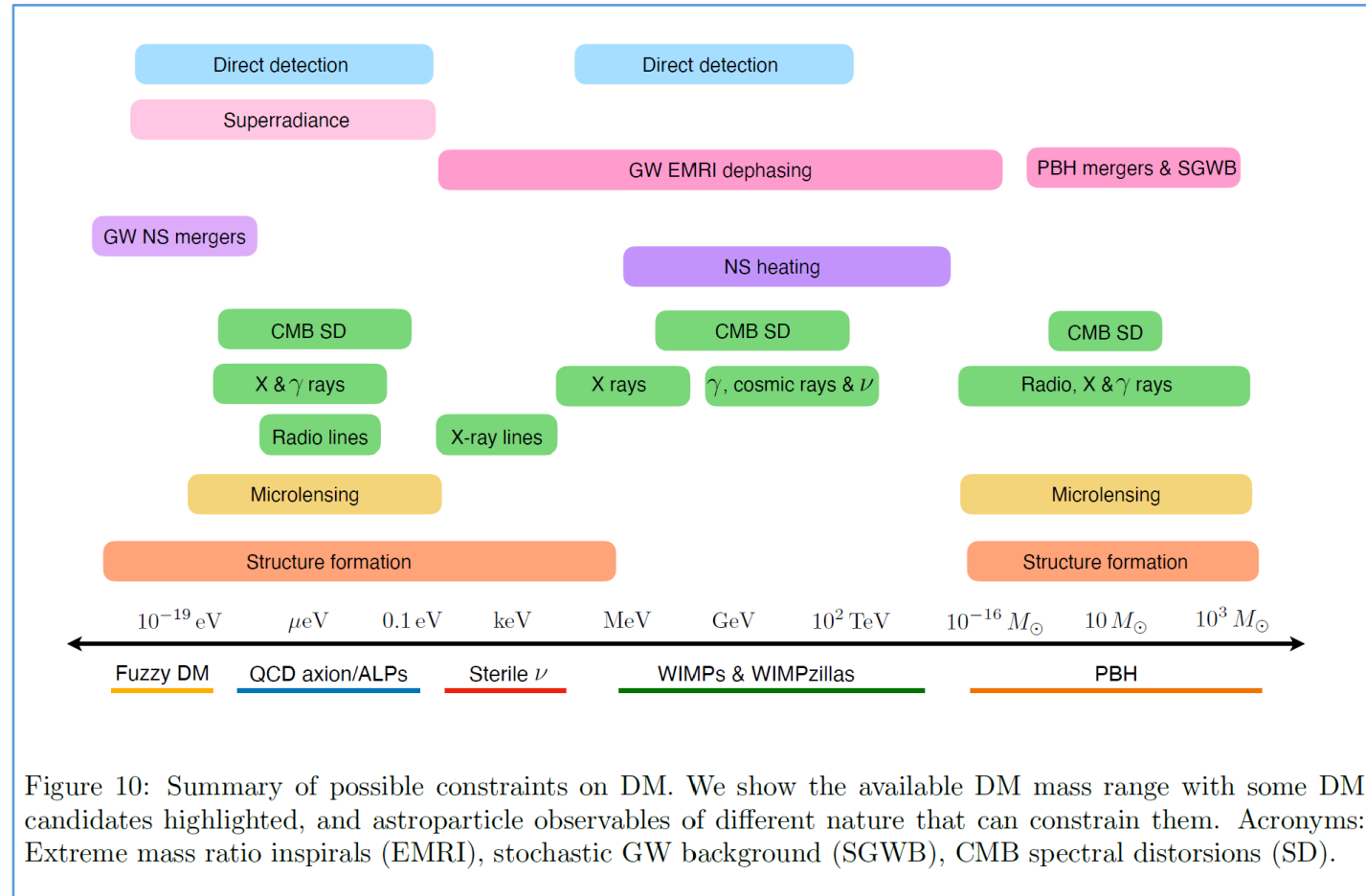


Astronet



# Dark Matter

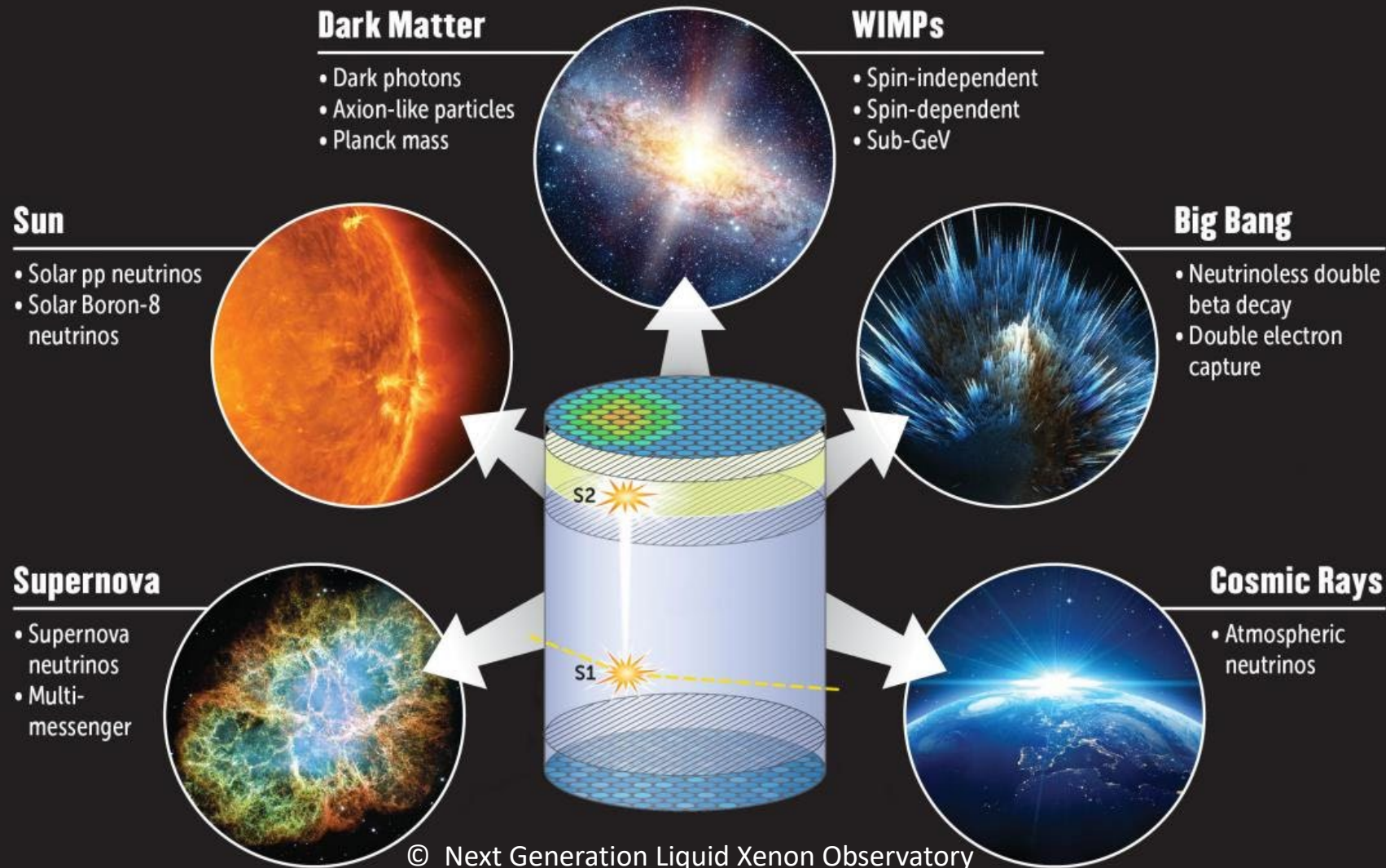
- Topic has large overlap with neighboring fields
- Direct Detection of Dark Matter APPEC SAC Subcommittee Report:
  - <https://www.appec.org/documents>
  - arXiv: <https://arxiv.org/abs/2104.07634>
- Recommendations:
  - Priority of Dark Matter Search
  - Diversified Approach Needed
  - Direct search for WIMPs down to neutrino floor (DARWIN, ARGO)
  - Coordinated detector R&D
  - European Infrastructure for Underground Science
  - Studying of the axion/ALPs mass range
  - Continuation of diverse theoretical activity



EuCAPT White Paper <https://arxiv.org/abs/2110.10074>



# Dark Matter WIMP search with liquid Xenon

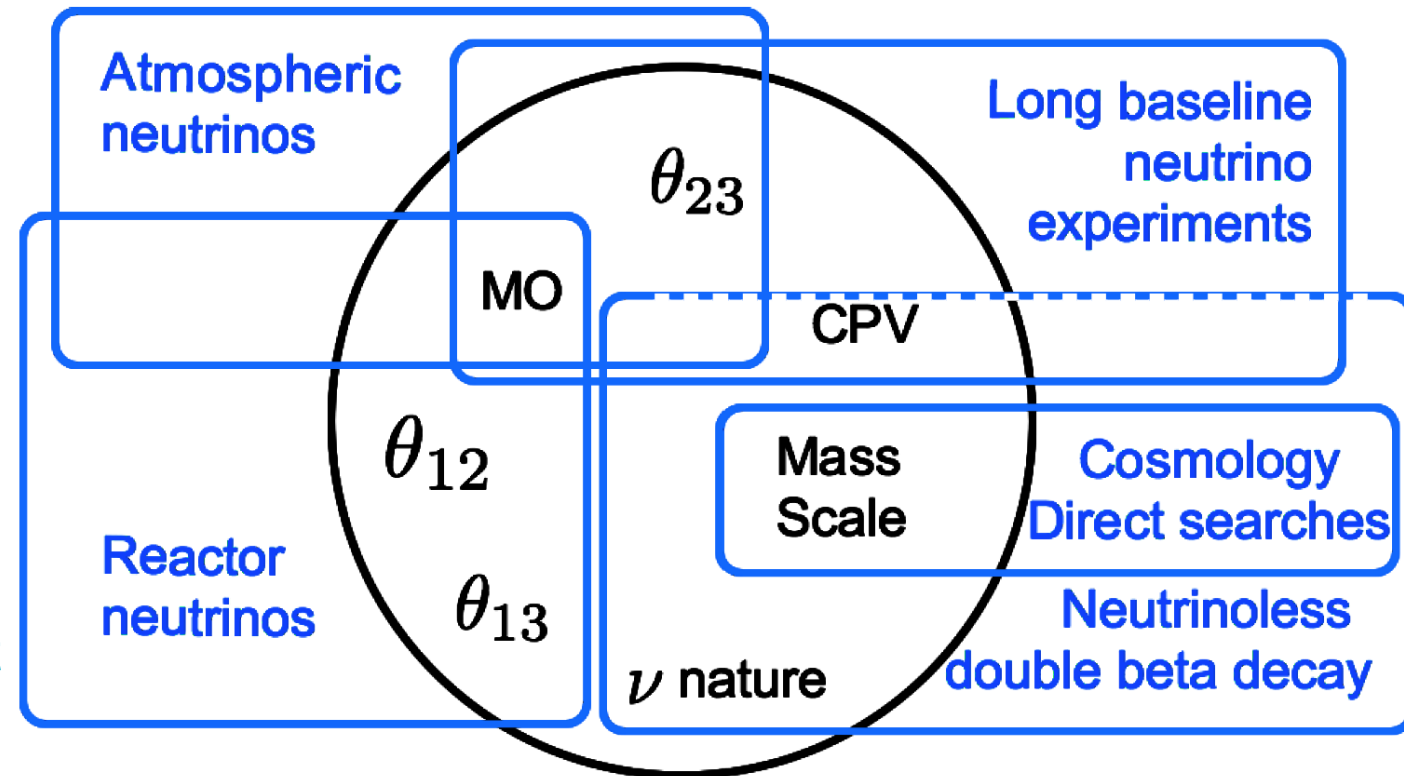


- APPEC recommends to realize worldwide at least one xenon (50t) and one argon (300t) experiment
- XENON/DARWIN and LUX-ZEPLIN → **XLZD**
- collaborations have signed a common MoU [arxiv.org/2203.02309](https://arxiv.org/abs/2203.02309) (141 institutes, ~600 authors)
- **Needs (European) infrastructures for Underground Science**

# Neutrino Properties

- $\nu$  CP-violation is still unknown and may give hints to matter-antimatter asymmetry
- $\nu$ -mixing is very different from CKM
- $\nu$ -nature undetermined (Majorana)
- $\nu$  mass ordering not yet determined
- $\nu$  is the first hot “dark” particle and has a role in various stages of the Universe
- APPEC’s RI flagship is next generation neutrinoless double beta decay experiment
- Needs (European) infrastructures for Underground Science

Science has large overlap with neighboring fields

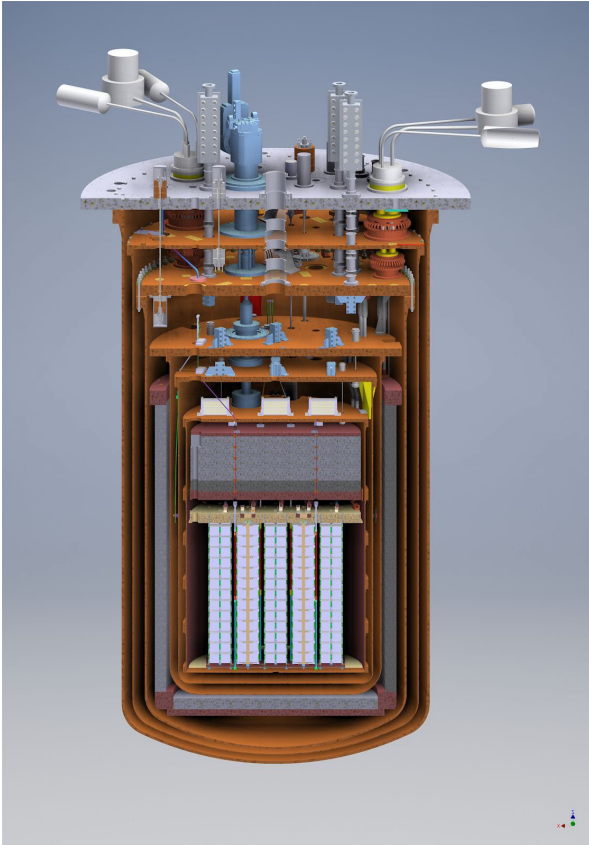


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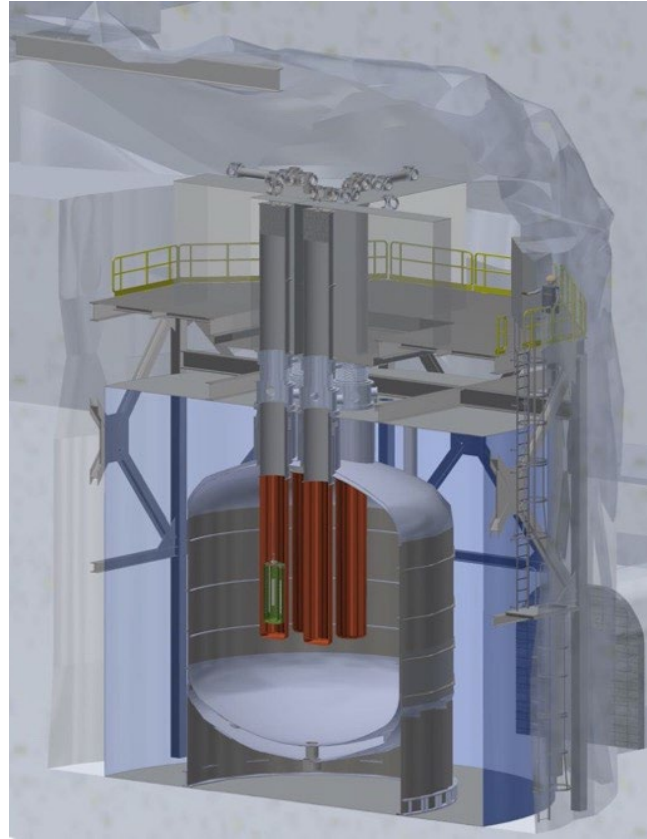


# $0\nu\beta\beta$ decay: towards ton-scale experiment \*

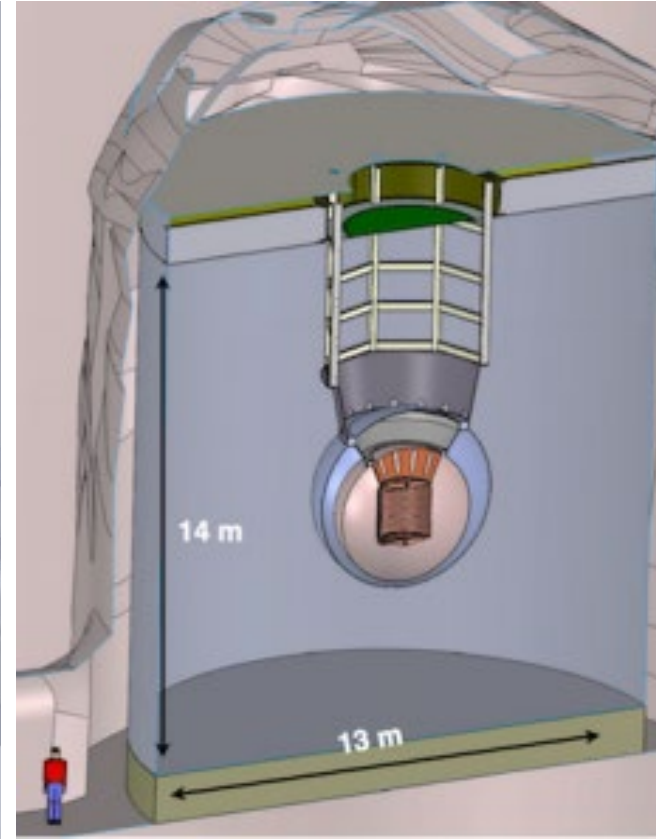
CUPID (100 Mo)



LEGEND-1000 (Ge)



nEXO (136 Xe)



NEXT (136 Xe)



\* Strategy discussion in co-operation with DOE, USA

# The Dark Universe

- Experiments (often) require sophisticated Deep Underground Laboratories (DULs)
- R&D and prototyping also require DULs
- Community-overarching, synergetic research possible
- Needs long-term commitments for operation of Underground Labs.

➔ Structured Coordination of European Underground Activities and Infrastructures



## Recommendation in APPEC roadmap:

APPEC encourages the European Underground Laboratories involved in astroparticle physics to establish a Virtual Coordination Office that establishes robust cooperation in key services and support for experiments, coordinates future investments in deep underground infrastructures and establishes a trans-national access policy



# APPEC Flagship Research Infrastructures

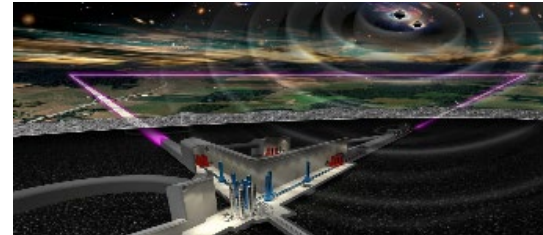
This is not a closed, but dynamic list...

ESFRI=European Strategy Forum on Research Infrastructures

[construction KM3NeT 2020-2026; IceCube-Gen2]



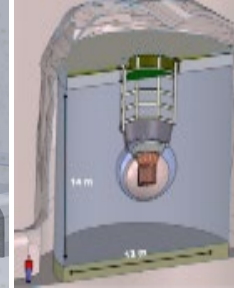
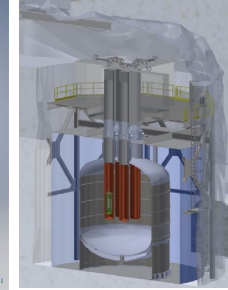
HE Neutrinos



[construction Einstein Telescope 2026- ]

ESFRI

Gravitational Waves



[construction LEGEND-1000 / nEXO 2023- ; ... ]

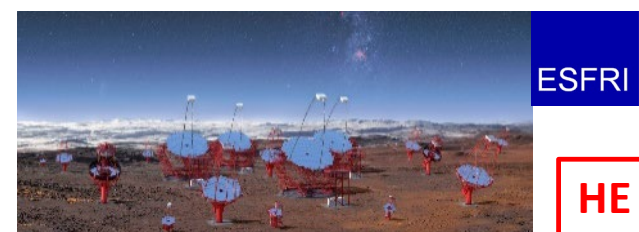
Neutrino Properties

[construction AugerPrime 2019-2023]

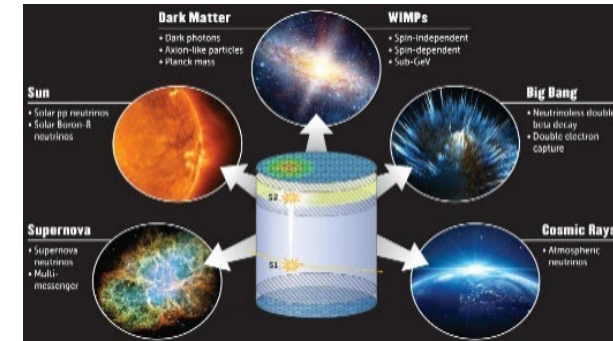
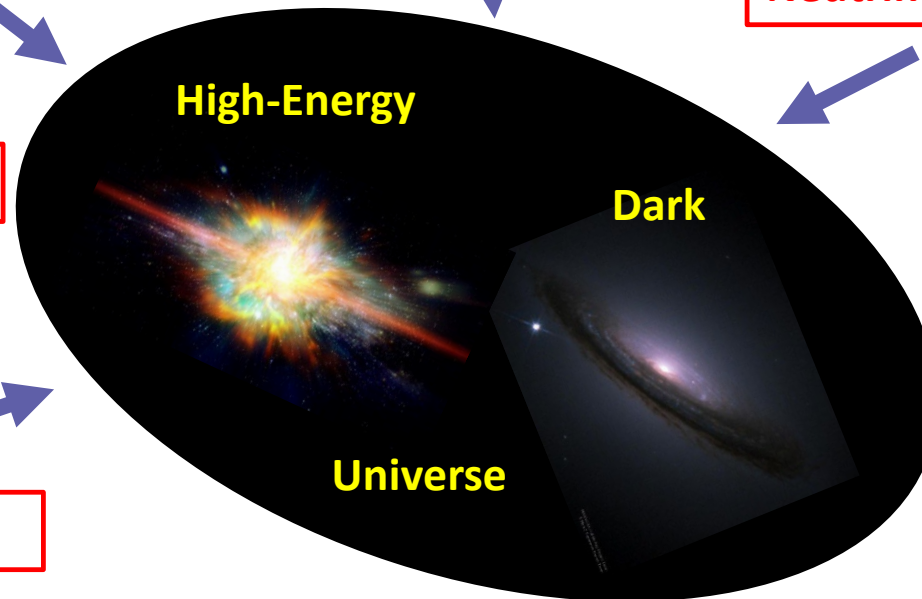


HE Cosmic Rays

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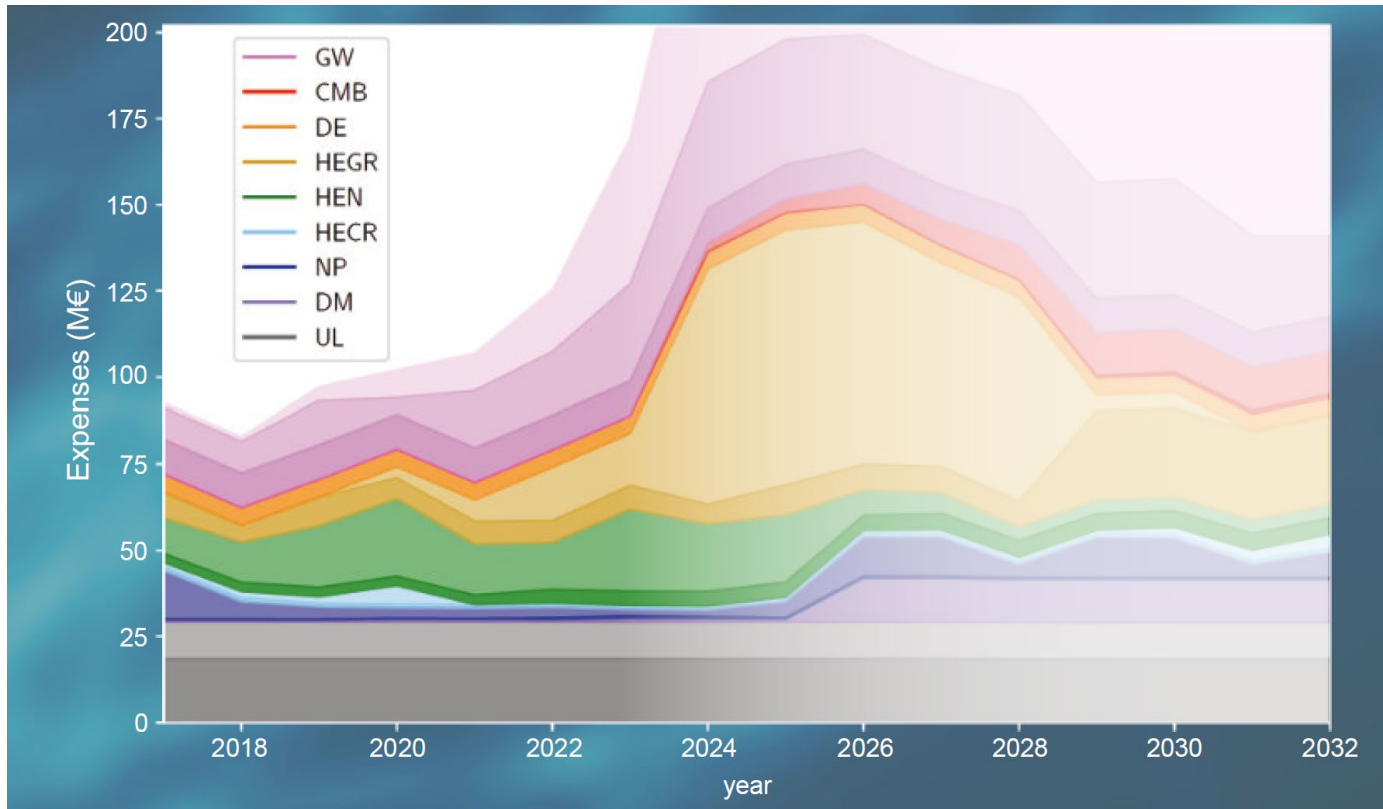


HE Gamma Rays



[construction DARWIN 2024- ; XLZD, ARGO, ... ]

Dark Matter



## Roadmap Update 2023: Projected annual capital investment

- **A resource aware roadmap**  
(darker colors show M&O of RI)
- **Observations:**
  - Predictions from 2017 were okay
  - CTA-peak shifted to later years
  - HE Neutrinos: stretched
  - ET peak has 3 colors (invest, operation, infrastructure)
- **Next**
  - Public Presentation of Roadmap in Brussels to stakeholders
  - 7/12/2023 14-18:00  
<https://indico.cern.ch/event/1339060/>



# Summary

- Astroparticle Physics is a booming and blooming field
- In search of the wonders of the cosmos
- Going to understand the fundamental law of Nature
- Plenty of opportunities for young scientists

## APPEC:

- Publication of Roadmap Mid-Term Update
- Coordination of European Astroparticle Physics strategy...
- ...in cooperation with neighboring fields
- APPEC Newsletter: <https://www.appec.org/latest-news/newsletters>

...and further foster and coordinate the European Astroparticle Physics!

