

**APPEC General Assembly** 

# Strategic Development European Underground Labs

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### **Currently Working Members**

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- **LNGS**, Ezio Previtali and <u>Aldo Ianni</u> (also in APPEC JS)
- **LSC**, Carlos Peña Garay (also in APPEC GA and JS)
  - LSM, Jules Gascon; LSBB, Ignacio Lázaro
    - **Boulby**, Sean Paling
    - **CallioLab**, Julia Puputti
    - **VIRGO**, Massimo Carpinelli

#### **Institutions:**



#### GOALS

- establish a robust cooperation and coordination in key services
  - establish a European trans-national (TA) access policy
- coordinate existing facilities to support research by a Virtual Coordination Office
  - **coordinate** ULs strategy for **future investments**

- 1st common Workshop at LNGS in 2022
- Joint participation in EU calls (APOGEIA, ...)
- **NEW.** Joint proposal submitted to 2023 COST Action
  - **NEW.** Coordinated activities by ULs worldwide
    - Frontiers: Science and Technology in ULs
- Dedicated Session to ULs coordination in TAUP 2023 meeting.
- NEW. Establish TA and Research Coordination agreements between Laboratories. First step by LNGS and LSC.



#### ACTIONS

### Agreement between LSC and LNGS (to be signed in July 2022)

**Research Collaboration** on low radioactivity services to match larger DM and 2b experiments and **Transnational Access** to LNGS and LSC staff and collaboration members

- New HPGe service **underground** at **µBq/kg** level (LSC, LNGS)
  - New ICP-MS service **underground** at **ppq** level (LSC)
- Additive manufacturing: New Cu e-forming, atomizing, and printing (LNGS, LSC)
- New **cryogenic infrastructure** for superconducting circuits and testing new bolometers (LNGS, LSC)
  - New SiPM based photodetector **assembly facility** (LNGS)
    - High purity **crystals development** underground (LSC)
  - **Radon abatement and Radon emanation services** (LNGS,LSC)
    - Cosmic Silence **Biology Platform** (LSC)





#### UJ (Poland) & LSC (Spain) COOPERATION

Rysy is a mountain in the crest of the High Tatras, lying on the border of Poland and Slovakia. Rysy has three summits. This project, led by G. Zuzel (UJ), started in early 2018, with the goal to reach  $\mu$ Bq/kg sensitivity. GeRysy is the **New** lowest background **record** in screening HPGe, with 1  $\mu$ Bq/kg sensitivity, efficient for small samples.





| Detector | M <sub>act</sub><br>[kg] | V <sub>cham</sub><br>[L] | Lab  |                     |  |
|----------|--------------------------|--------------------------|------|---------------------|--|
|          |                          |                          |      | 40 - 2700           |  |
| GeRysy   | 2.27                     | 15                       | LSC  | 64 ± 1              |  |
| GeMPI    | 2.21                     | 15                       | LNGS | 66 ± 1              |  |
| GATOR    | 2.20                     | 15                       | LNGS | $103\pm1\texttt{*}$ |  |
| GeOroel  | 2.31                     | 10 ?                     | LSC  | 179                 |  |



### Investments and Operation Costs for EULs

| DUL       | Infrastructures and services<br>[M€]                       | Operational costs<br>(infrastructures and<br>personnel) [M€/yr] | Operational costs<br>(infrastructures no personnel)<br>[M€/yr] |
|-----------|--|---|--|
| Boulby    | 4.52*  | 1.5   | 0.7  |
| CallioLab | 0.1 (Clab)/2.5 (entire<br>underground<br>infrastructure)** | 0.3   | 0.05   |
| LSC       | 10.7*  | 1.4   | 0.6  |
| LNGS      | 38.0*  | 13.6  | 5.4  |
| LSBB      | 6.450*   | 770   | 122  |
| LSM       | 0.7*   | 0.75  | 0.25   |
| TOTAL     | 62.87  | 18.32   | 7.12   |

\*Investments in new plants and facilities since 2017 \*\*Research space is rented from mine reuse operator on a project-basis. Upkeep of entire underground infrastructure approx. 2.5M€, responsibility of mine reuse operator.



#### WHAT WE NEED FROM APPEC



1. Prioritize the European Underground Laboratories coordination (research in services and transnational access) within the APPEC strategy.

2. Active support from APPEC within the consortium and with EU Institutions. Prepare and present a dedicated portfolio on the EULs coordination project.

3. APPEC prioritization of this initiative in EU calls which may financially support this coordination:

- ULs activities are 100% supported by its host country

- Goals could not be reached unless significant EU support is obtained.



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## Broader ULS

