

# FCC Feasibility Study Status

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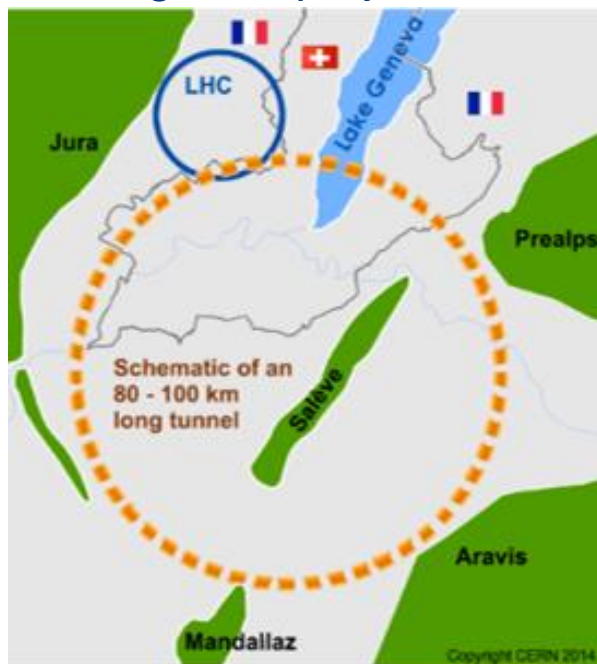
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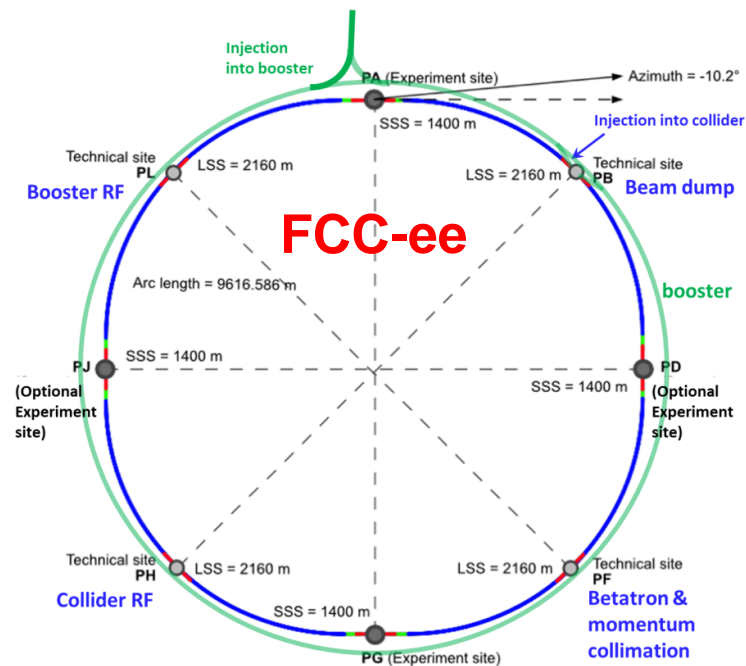
# FCC integrated program

comprehensive long-term program maximizing physics opportunities

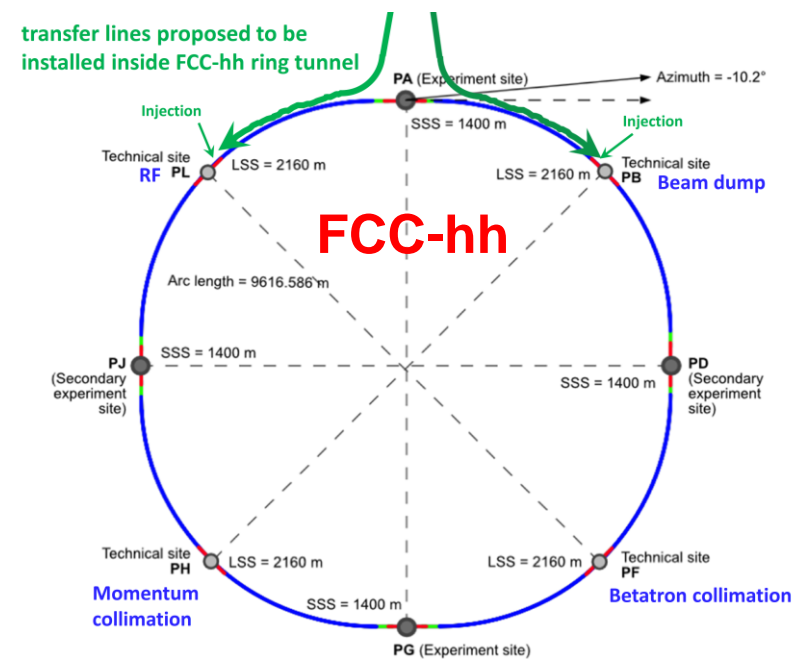
- stage 1: FCC-ee (Z, W, H,  $t\bar{t}$ ) as Higgs factory, electroweak & top factory at highest luminosities
- stage 2: FCC-hh (~100 TeV) as natural continuation at energy frontier, pp & AA collisions; e-h option
- highly synergetic and complementary programme boosting the physics reach of both colliders (e.g. model-independent measurements of the Higgs couplings at FCC-hh thanks to input from FCC-ee; and FCC-hh as “energy upgrade” of FCC-ee)
- common civil engineering and technical infrastructures, building on and reusing CERN’s existing infrastructure
- FCC integrated project allows the start of a new, major facility at CERN within a few years of the end of HL-LHC



2020 - 2040

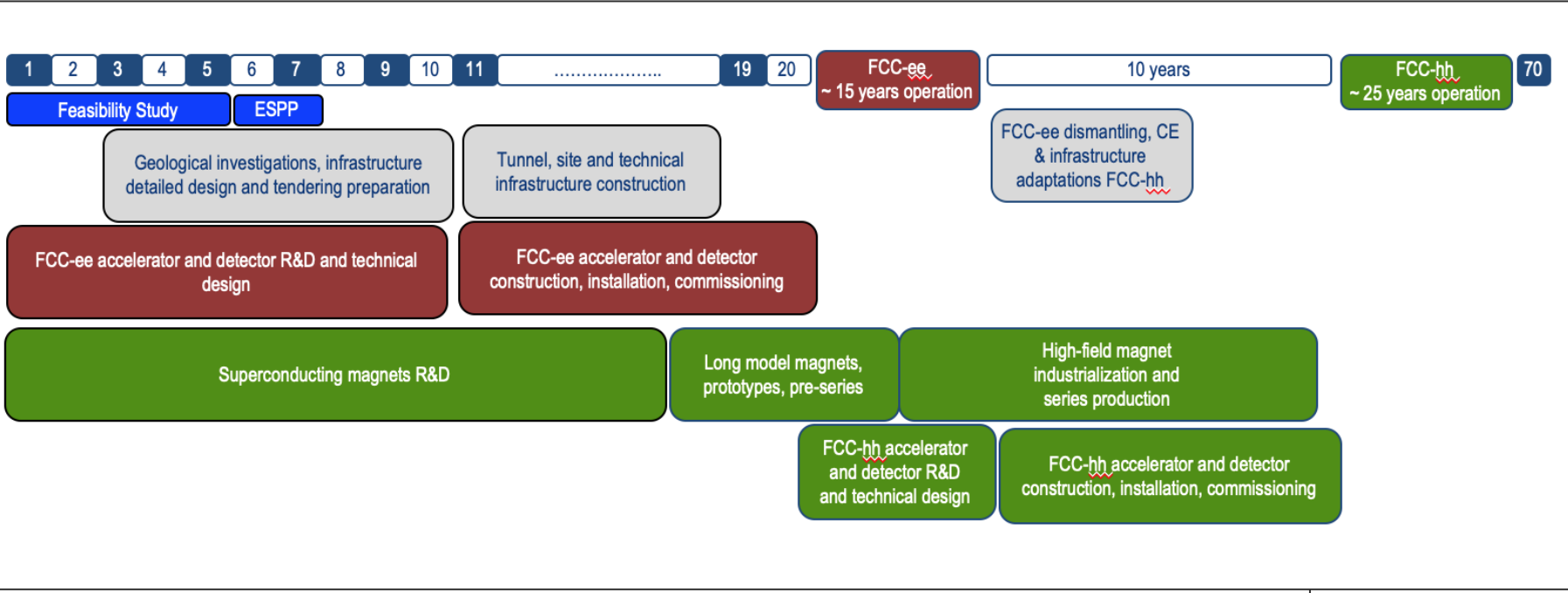


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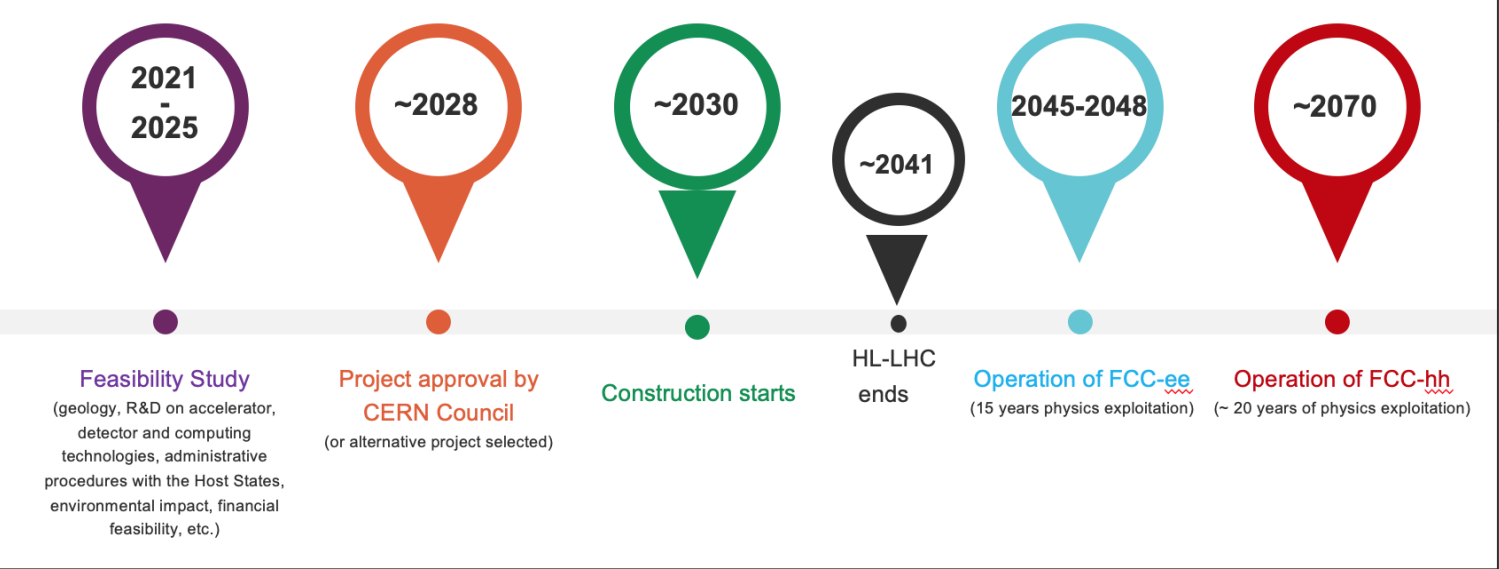


2070 - 2095

# FCC timeline



**Technical schedule:**  
FCC integrated project



**Schedule** takes into account:

- CERN Council approval timeline
- past experience in building colliders at CERN
- that HL-LHC will run until ~ 2041

→ **ANY future collider at CERN cannot start physics operation before 2045-2048**  
(but construction will proceed in parallel to HL-LHC operation)



## 2013 Update of European Strategy for Particle Physics:

*“CERN should undertake design studies for accelerator projects in a global context, with emphasis on proton-proton and electron-positron high-energy frontier machines.”*

→ FCC Conceptual Design Reports (2018/19)



Vol 1 Physics, Vol 2 FCC-ee, Vol 3 FCC-hh, Vol 4 HE-LHC

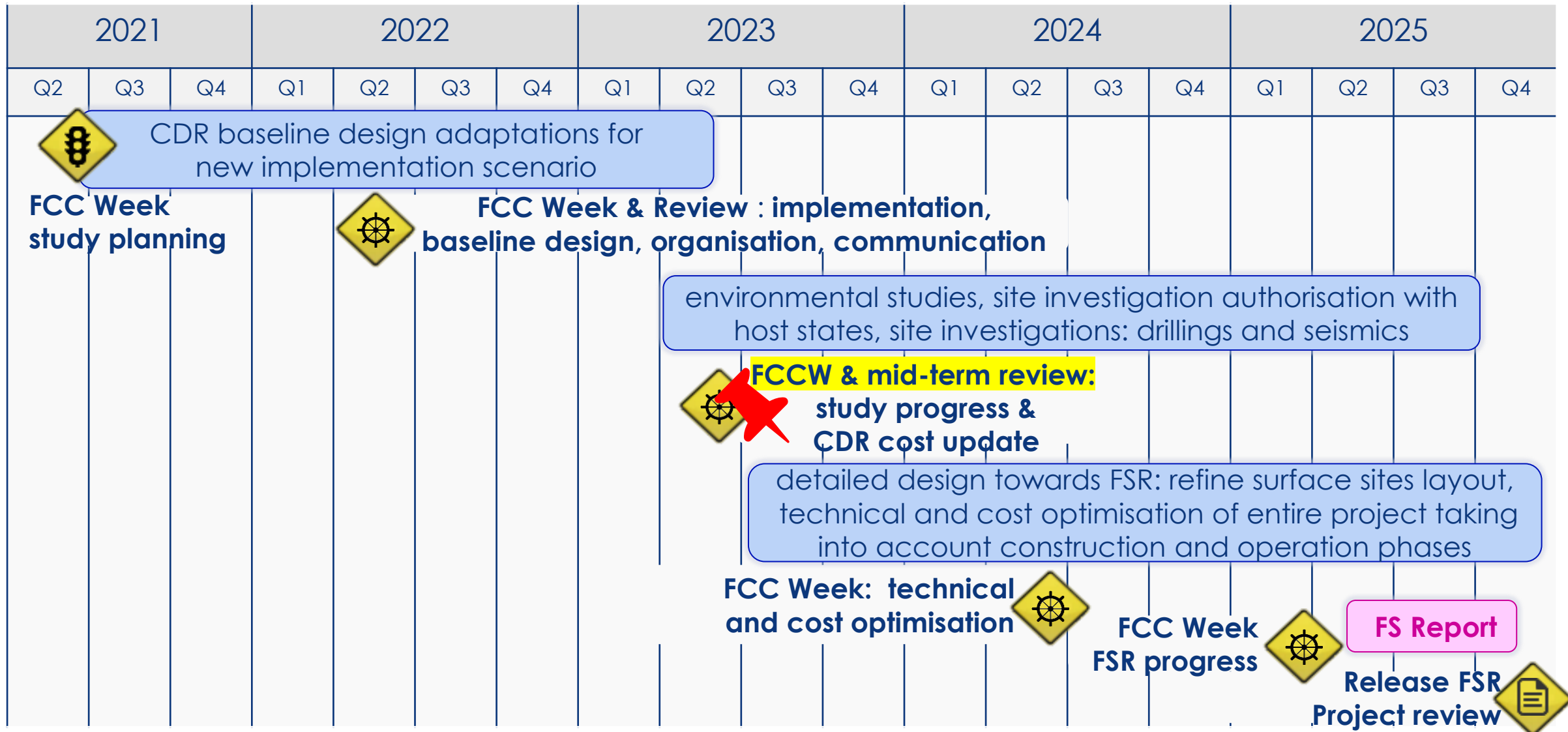
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## 2020 Update of European Strategy for Particle Physics:

*“Europe, together with its international partners, should investigate technical and financial feasibility of a future hadron collider at CERN with a centre-of-mass energy of at least 100 TeV and with an electron-positron Higgs and electroweak factory as a possible first stage.”*

# Feasibility Study timeline and main activities/milestones



## Mid-term review setup and deliverables are defined in CERN/SPC/1183/Rev.2:

- *the scientific and technical results be reviewed by the FCC FS Scientific Advisory Committee, augmented by additional experts as needed;*
- *the cost and financial feasibility, which will focus on the first-stage project (tunnel, technical infrastructure, FCC-ee machine and injectors), be reviewed by a committee including external experts, as proposed in CERN/3588;*

		CERN/SPC/1183 Rev.2 CERN/3584 Rev.2 Original: English 29 September 2022
ORGANISATION EUROPEENNE POUR LA RECHERCHE NUCLEAIRE CERN EUROPEAN ORGANIZATION FOR NUCLEAR RESEARCH		
<i>Action to be taken</i>		<i>Formal Procedure</i>
For recommendation	SCIENTIFIC POLICY COMMITTEE 130 <sup>th</sup> Meeting 28-29 September 2022	-
For decision	RESTRICTED COUNCIL 209 <sup>th</sup> Session 29 September 2022	Simple majority of Member States represented and voting
FUTURE CIRCULAR COLLIDER FEASIBILITY STUDY: PLANS AND DELIVERABLES FOR THE 2025 MID-TERM REVIEW		
<small>This document describes the plans and deliverables for the mid-term review of the Future Circular Collider Feasibility Study, which is proposed to take place in autumn 2023. The Scientific Policy Committee is invited to recommend and the Council is invited to approve these plans and deliverables.</small>		

## SAC: review of deliverables 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8

- D1: Definition of the baseline scenario
- D2: Civil engineering
- D3: Processes and implementation studies with the Host States
- D 4: Technical infrastructure
- D5: FCC-ee accelerator
- D6: FCC-hh accelerator
- **D7: Project cost and financial feasibility**
- D8: Physics, experiments and detectors

## Cost Review Panel Mandate

- Review the methodology and assumptions used in producing the cost estimates
- Identify inaccurate or missing cost information
- Check the consistency of the cost estimates with respect to applicable reference work, e.g., recent large-scale infrastructure and accelerator projects
- Review the uncertainty estimates
- Identify potential areas of savings and cost mitigation for future work
- Advise the FCC study team on matters of cost estimation in view of preparation of the final Feasibility Study Report for end 2025

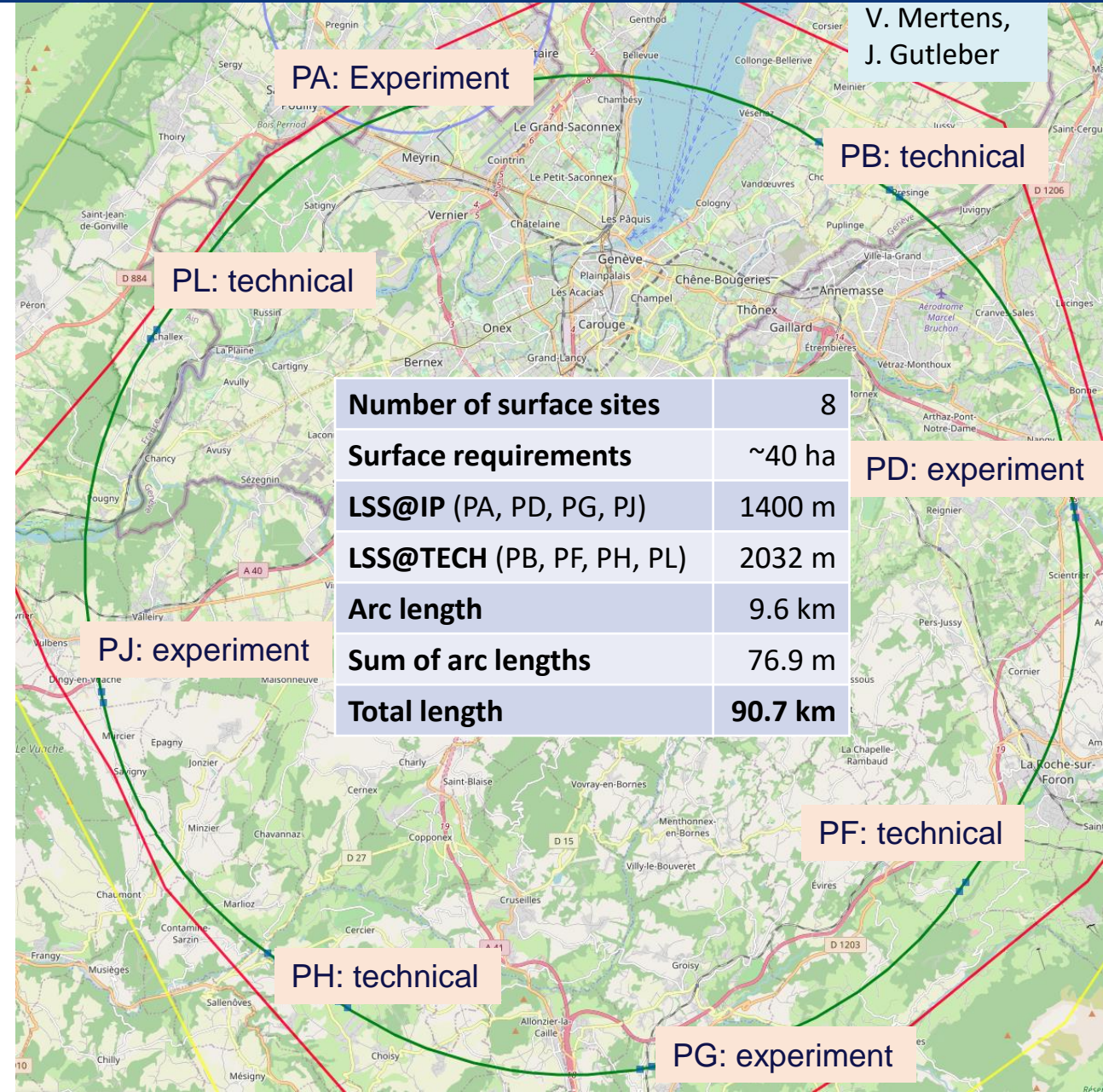
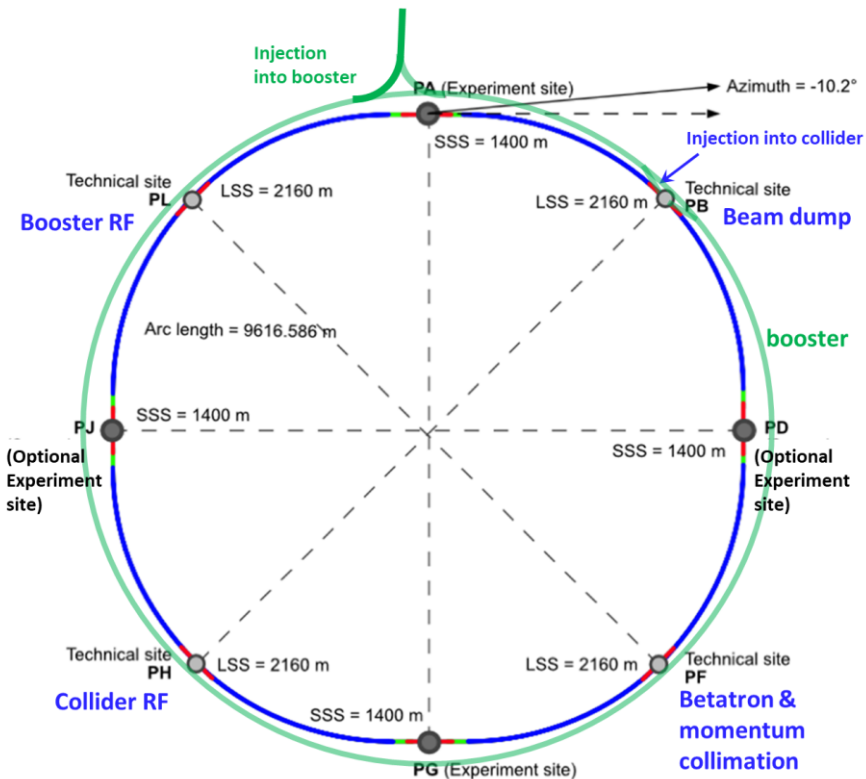


# Optimized placement and layout for feasibility study

Layout chosen out of ~ 100 initial variants, based on **geology** and **surface constraints** (land availability, access to roads, etc.), **environment**, (protected zones), **infrastructure** (water, electricity, transport), **machine performance** etc.

“Avoid-reduce -compensate” principle of EU and French regulations

**Overall lowest-risk baseline: 90.7 km ring, 8 surface points,**  
Whole project now adapted to this placement



<b>Number of surface sites</b>	<b>8</b>
<b>Surface requirements</b>	<b>~40 ha</b>
<b>LSS@IP (PA, PD, PG, PJ)</b>	<b>1400 m</b>
<b>LSS@TECH (PB, PF, PH, PL)</b>	<b>2032 m</b>
<b>Arc length</b>	<b>9.6 km</b>
<b>Sum of arc lengths</b>	<b>76.9 m</b>
<b>Total length</b>	<b>90.7 km</b>

V. Mertens,  
J. Gutleber



## Meetings with municipalities concerned in France (31) and Switzerland (10)

PA – Ferney Voltaire (FR) – site experimental

PB – Présinge/Choulex (CH) – site technique

PD – Nangy (FR) – site experimental

PF – Roche sur Foron/Etaux (FR) – site technique

PG – Charvonnex/Groisy (FR) – site experimental

PH – Cercier (FR) – site technique

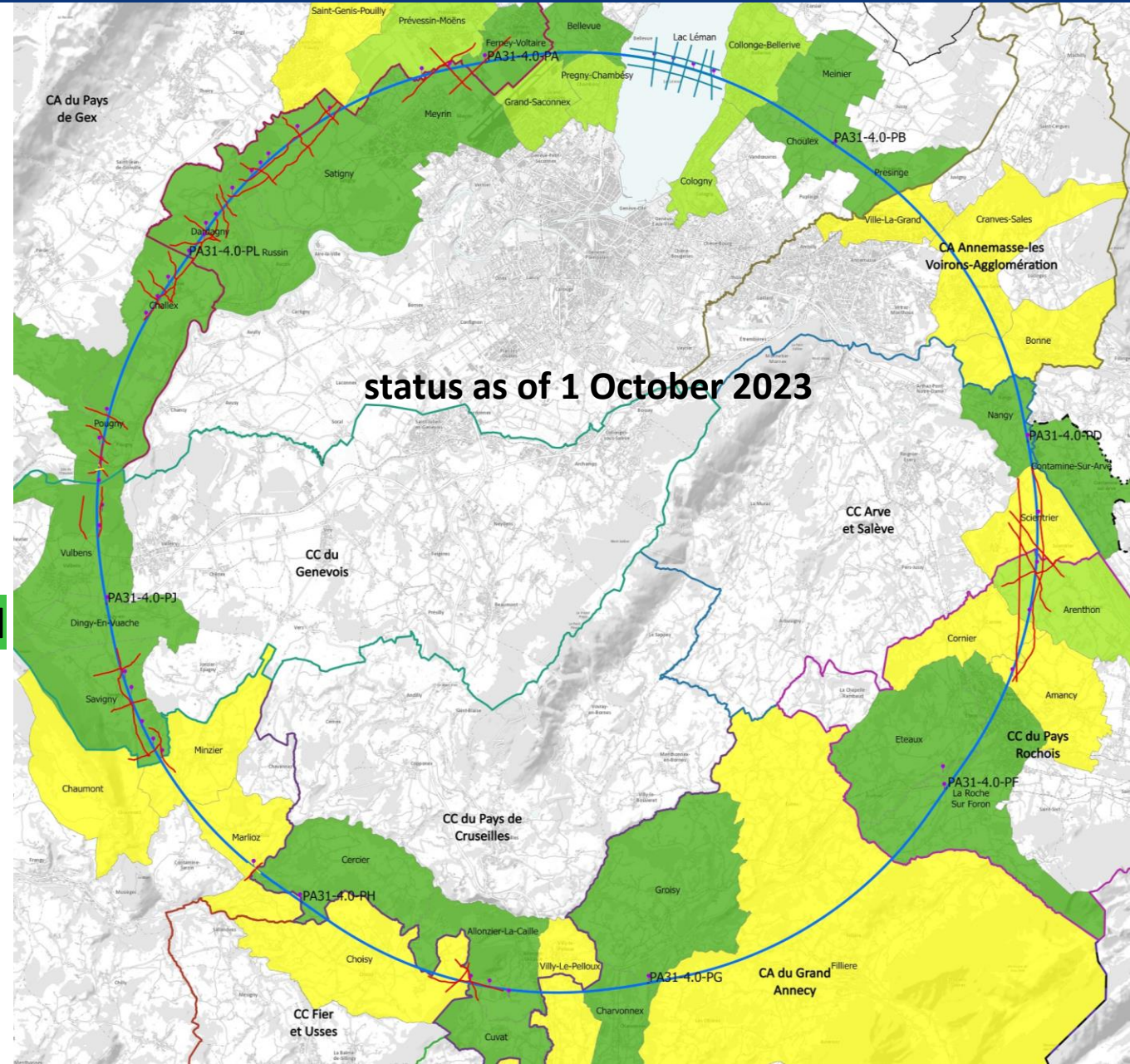
PJ – Vulbens/Dingy en Vuache (FR) site experimental

PL – Challex (FR) – site technique

Individual meeting

Individual meeting planned

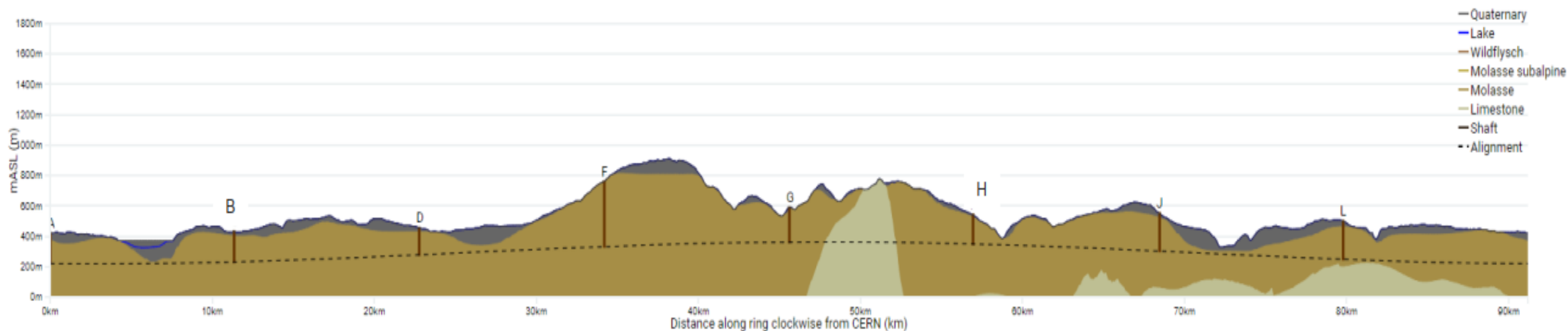
Collective meeting



The outstanding support of the host states is greatly appreciated and essential for the study progress!



Alignment Profile



Geology Intersected by Tunnel

Geology Intersected by Section

95.2%

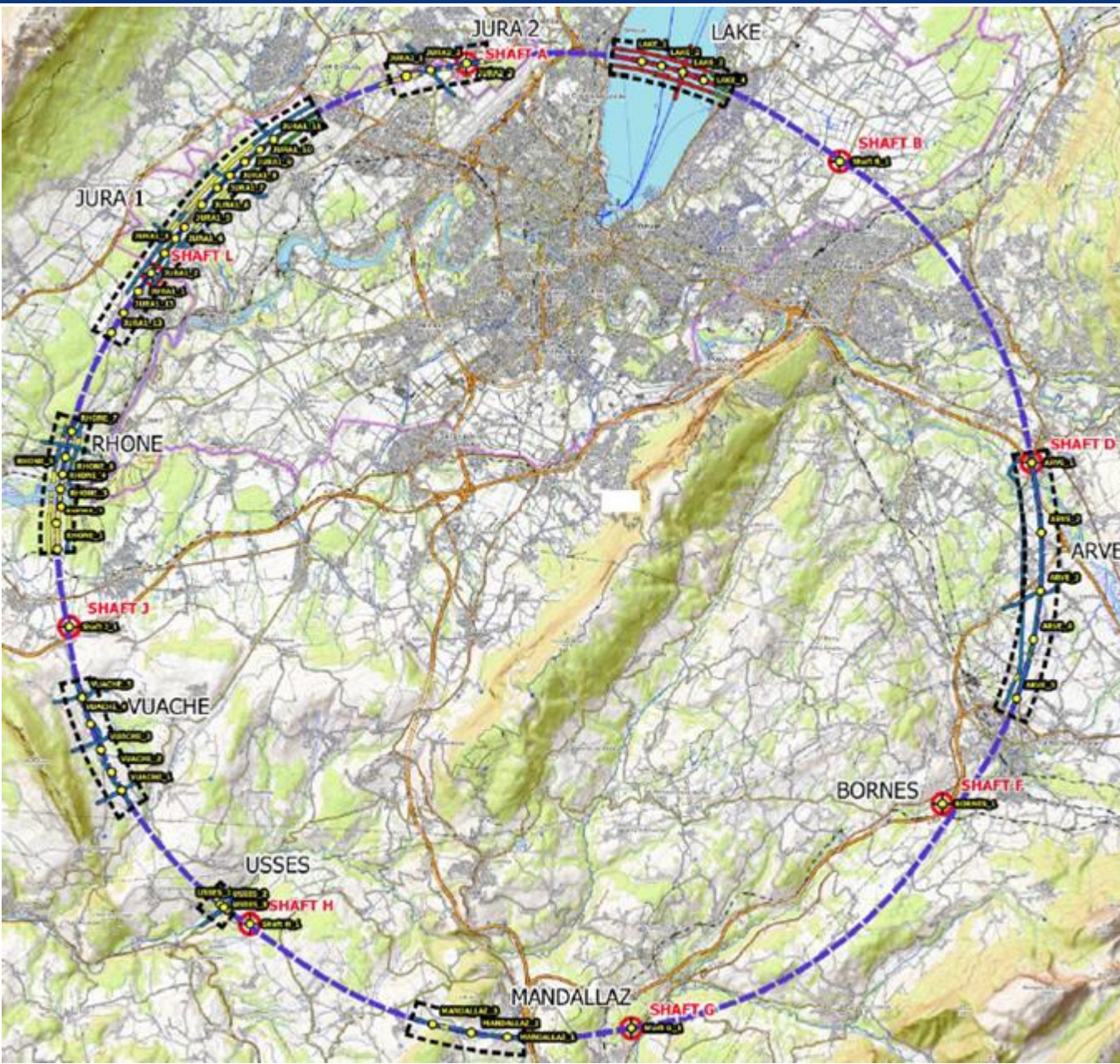
4.8%

## Tunnel implementation summary

- **91 km circumference**
- **95% in molasse geology for minimising tunnel construction risks**
- **8 surface sites with ~5 ha area each.**



# Status site investigations



- **Site investigations in areas with less well known geological conditions:**
  - Optimisation of localisation of drilling locations ongoing with site visits since end 2022.
  - **Alignment with FR and CH on the process for obtaining autorisation procedures. Ongoing for start of drillings in 03/2024.**
- **Contracts Status:**
  - Contract for engineering services and role of Engineer during works, active since July 2022
  - Site investigations tendering ongoing towards contract placement in December 2023 and mobilization from January 2024.



Sondage A89 (2007) incliné de 45° de 125 ml (surface plateforme estimée: 12 x 12 m soit environ 150 m²)

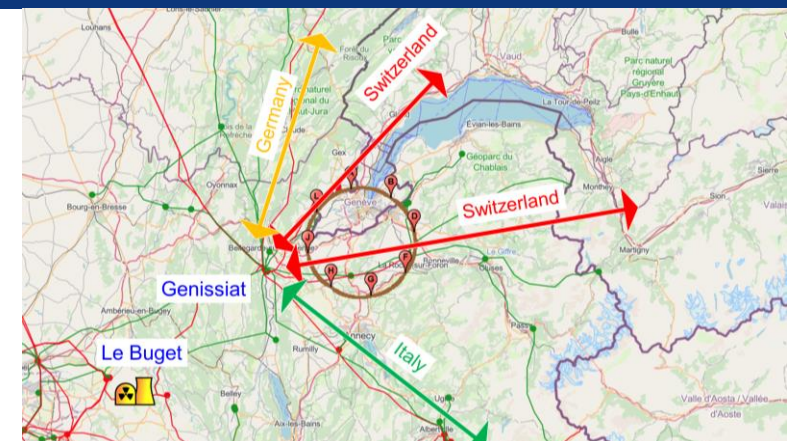


Drilling works on the lake



## Updated FCC-ee energy consumption

	Z	W	H	TT
Beam energy (GeV)	45.6	80	120	182.5
Max. power during beam operation (MW)	222	247	273	357
Average power / year (MW)	122	138	152	202
<b>Total yearly consumption (TWh)</b>	<b>1.07</b>	<b>1.21</b>	<b>1.33</b>	<b>1.77</b>

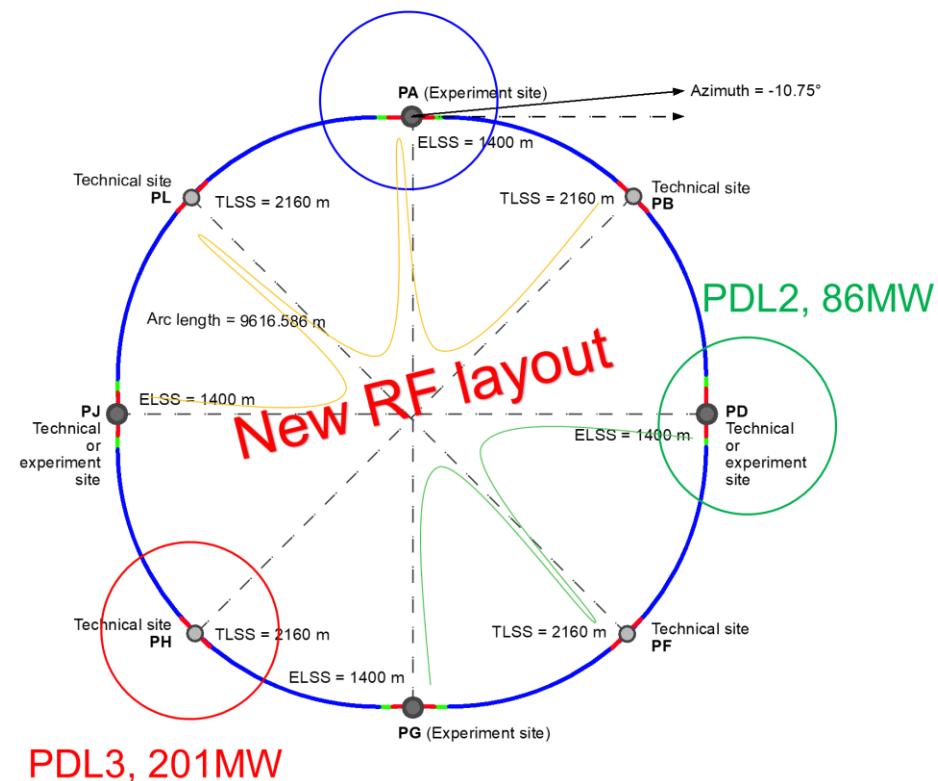


## Powering concept and max power load by sub-stations:

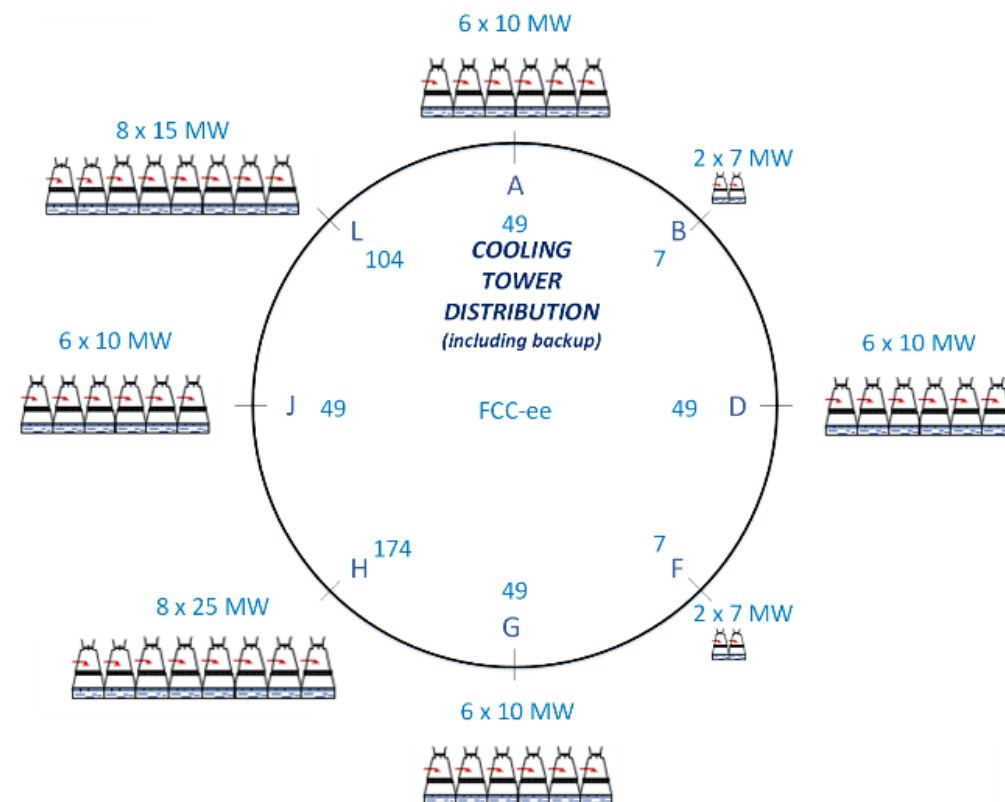
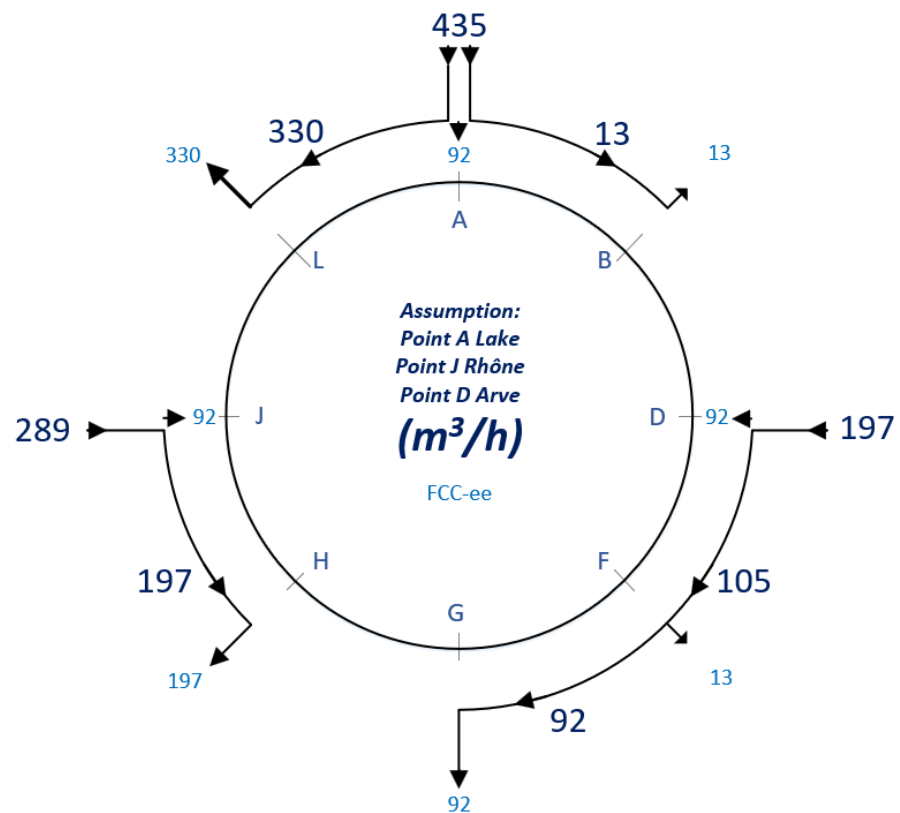
The loads could be charged on three sub-stations (optimally connected to existing regional HV grid):

- **Point D** with a new sub-station covering PB – PD – PF – PG
- **Point H** with a new dedicated sub-station for collider RF
- **Point A** with existing CERN station covering PB – PL – PJ
- **Connection concept was studied and confirmed by RTE (French electrical grid operator)**
- **Requested loads have no significant impact on grid**
- **Powering concept and power rating of the three sub-stations compatible with FCC-hh**

PDL1, 69MW



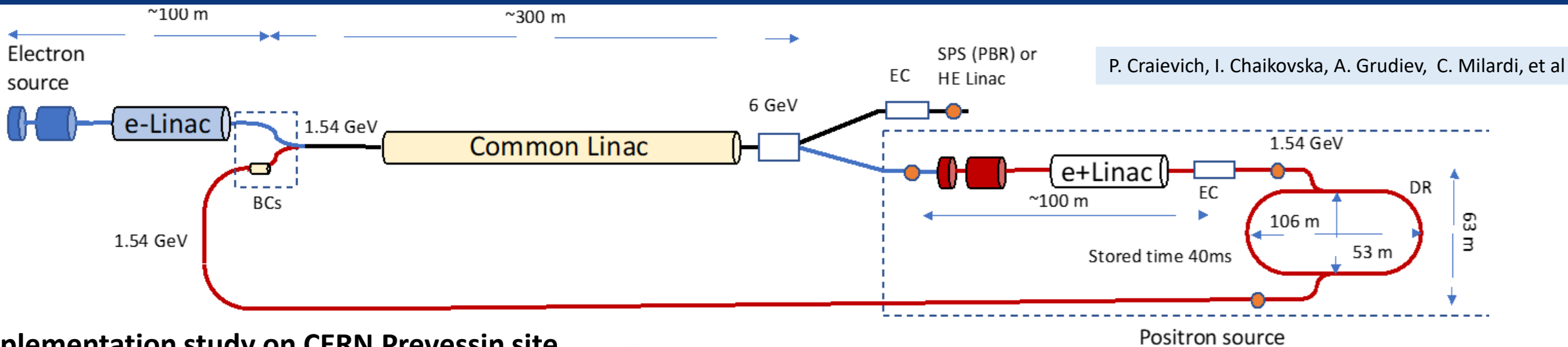
# Cooling Water



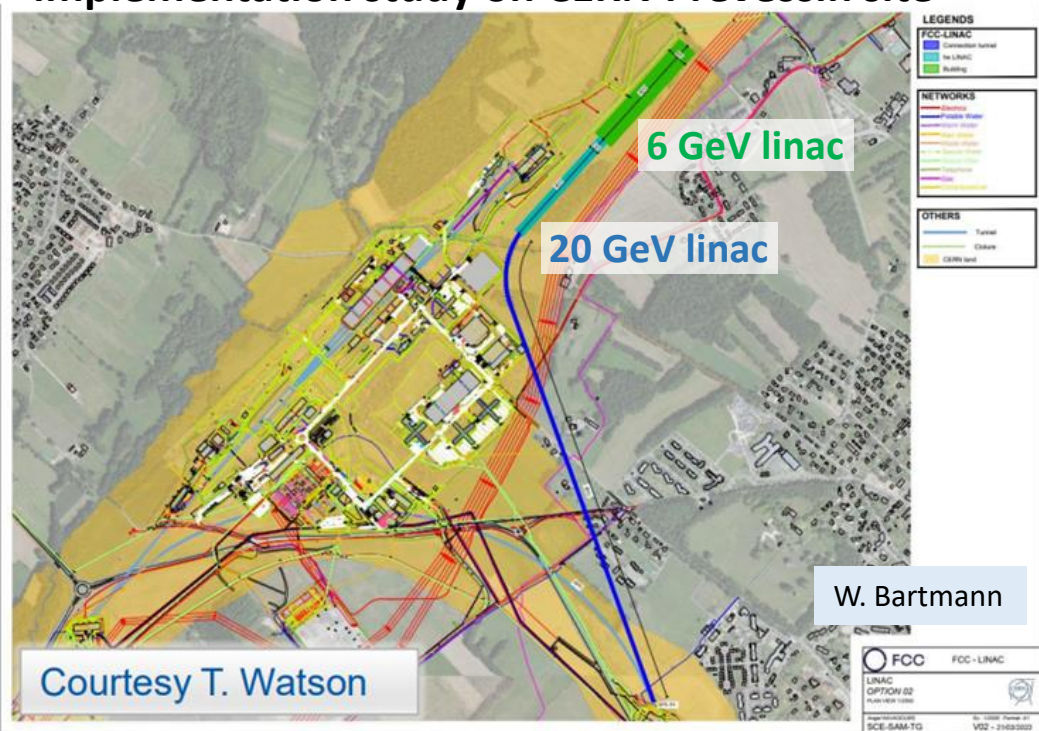
- Potential sources of cooling water Geneva lake (PA), Rhone (PJ) and Arve (PD).
- Existing line with lake water provided by SIG to CERN LHC P8 (LHCb) sufficient for FCC-ee.
- Pipework in the tunnel will connect the remaining points to points PA, PD and PJ.
- Main cooling towers placed at experiment points, and RF points (PL, PH).



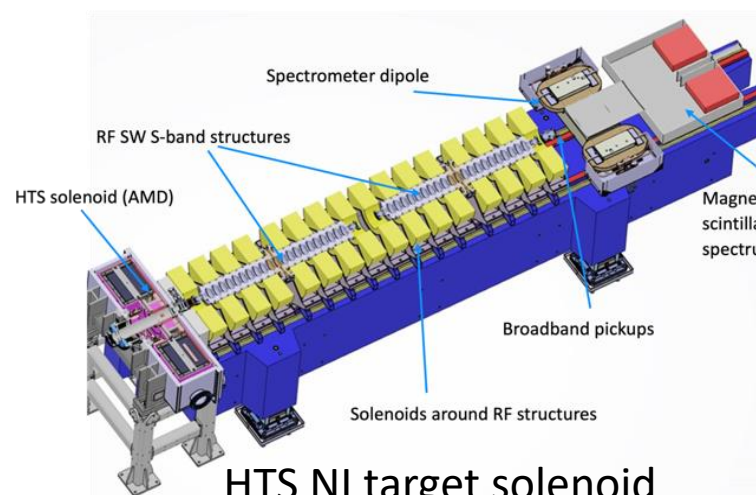
# FCC-ee injector layout & implementation



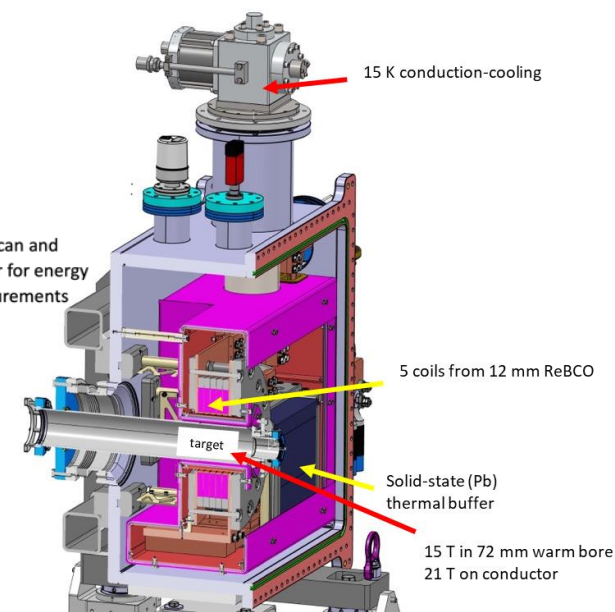
## implementation study on CERN Preveessin site



## “Positron production experiment” at PSI’s SwissFEL, beam tests from 2025/26

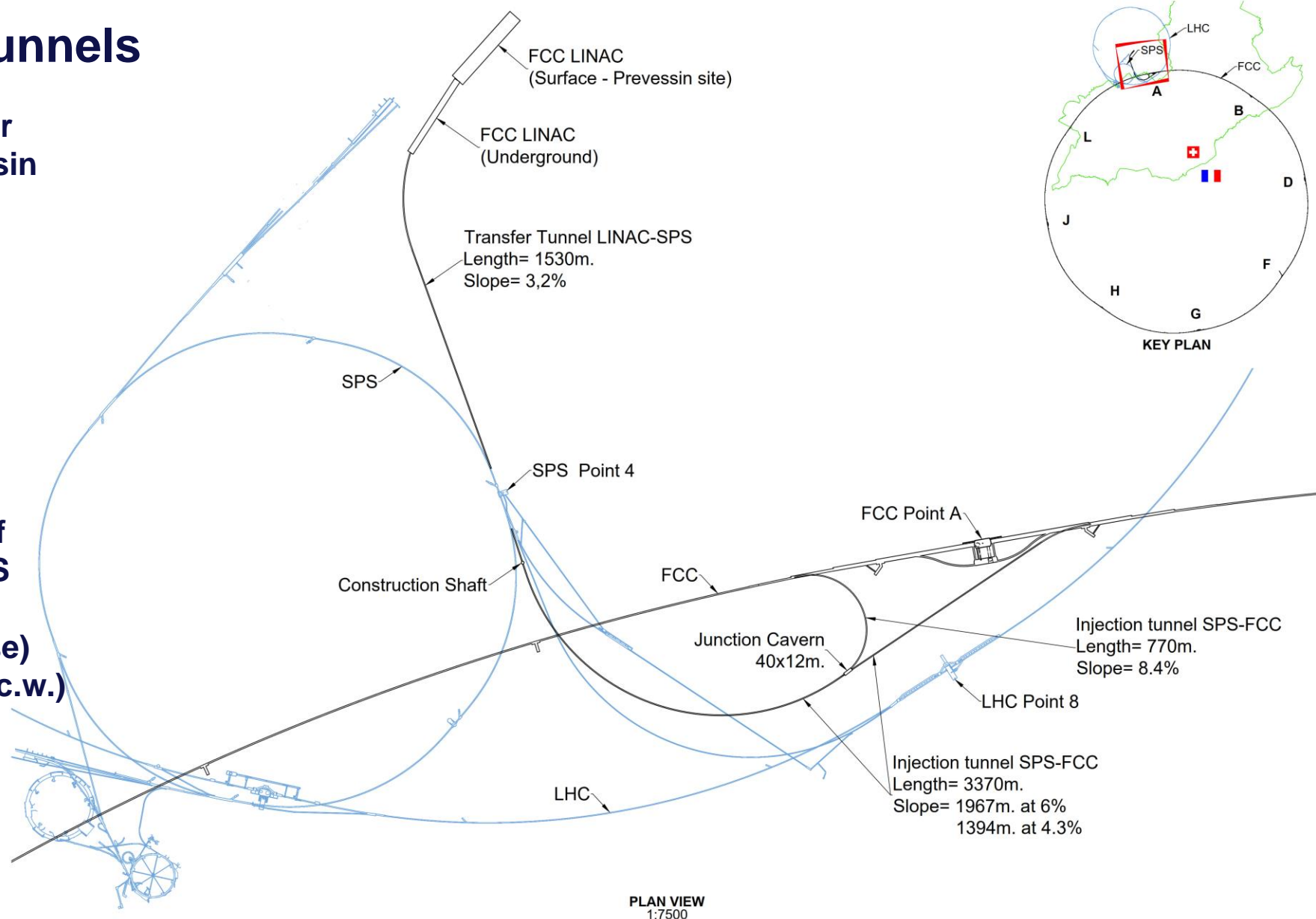


HTS NI target solenoid  
J. Kosse, T. Michlmayr, H. Rodrigues



## LINAC and Injection Tunnels

- Designed to enable injection either from the HE Linac sited at Preveessin or from the SPS as pre-booster
- Single tunnel with spur to enable anti-clockwise injection
- Design allows re-use for FCC-hh if injector in the SPS tunnel (SC-SPS option)
  - SPS Point 4 to FCC (clockwise)
  - SPS Point 6 to FCC (counter-c.w.)





# FCC-ee: main machine parameters

Parameter	Z	WW	H (ZH)	ttbar
beam energy [GeV]	45.6	80	120	182.5
beam current [mA]	1270	137	26.7	4.9
number bunches/beam	11200	1780	440	60
bunch intensity [ $10^{11}$ ]	2.14	1.45	1.15	1.55
SR energy loss / turn [GeV]	0.0394	0.374	1.89	10.4
total RF voltage 400/800 MHz [GV]	0.120/0	1.0/0	2.1/0	2.1/9.4
long. damping time [turns]	1158	215	64	18
horizontal beta* [m]	0.11	0.2	0.24	1.0
vertical beta* [mm]	0.7	1.0	1.0	1.6
horizontal geometric emittance [nm]	0.71	2.17	0.71	1.59
vertical geom. emittance [pm]	1.9	2.2	1.4	1.6
horizontal rms IP spot size [ $\mu\text{m}$ ]	9	21	13	40
vertical rms IP spot size [nm]	36	47	40	51
beam-beam parameter $\xi_x / \xi_y$	0.002/0.0973	0.013/0.128	0.010/0.088	0.073/0.134
rms bunch length with SR / BS [mm]	5.6 / 15.5	3.5 / 5.4	3.4 / 4.7	1.8 / 2.2
luminosity per IP [ $10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$ ]	140	20	5.0	1.25
total integrated luminosity / IP / year [ $\text{ab}^{-1}/\text{yr}$ ]	17	2.4	0.6	0.15
beam lifetime rad Bhabha + BS [min]	15	12	12	11

technical feasibility of changing operation sequences was assessed (e.g. starting at ZH energy)

4 years  
 $5 \times 10^{12}$  Z  
LEP  $\times 10^5$

2 years  
 $> 10^8$  WW  
LEP  $\times 10^4$

3 years  
 $2 \times 10^6$  H

5 years  
 $2 \times 10^6$  tt pairs

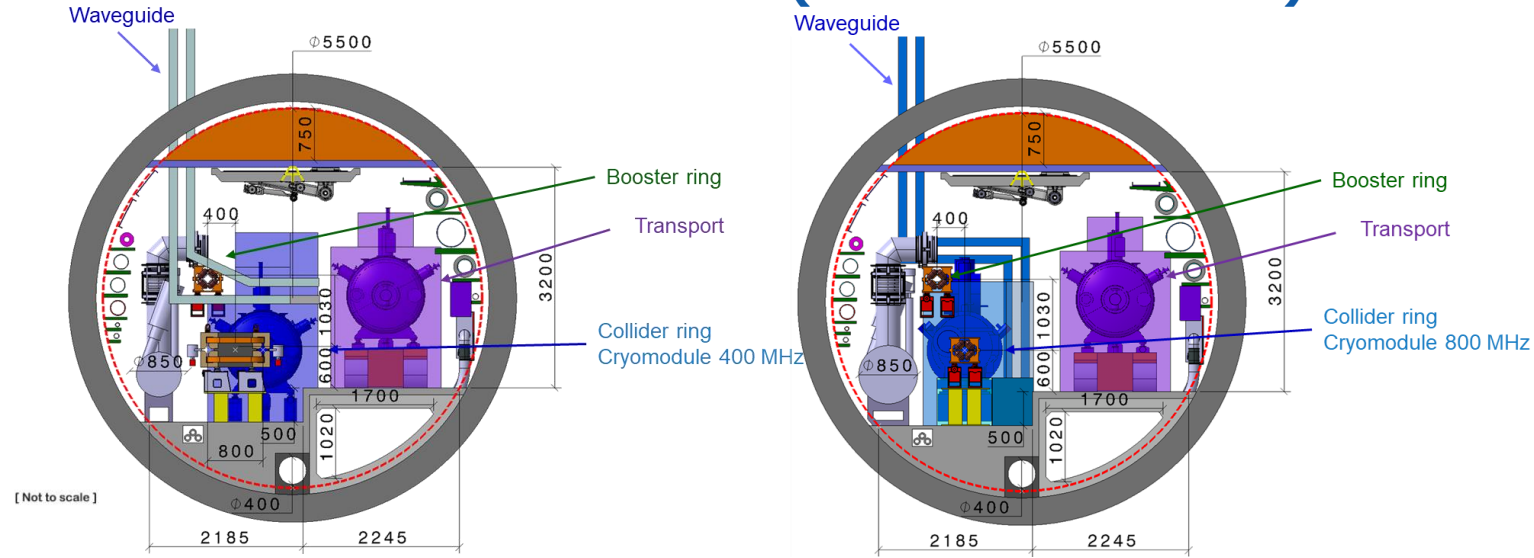
- x 10-50 improvements on all EW observables
- up to x 10 improvement on Higgs coupling (model-indep.) measurements over HL-LHC
- x10 Belle II statistics for b, c,  $\tau$
- indirect discovery potential up to  $\sim 70$  TeV
- direct discovery potential for feebly-interacting particles over 5-100 GeV mass range

Up to 4 interaction points  $\rightarrow$  robustness, statistics, possibility of specialised detectors to maximise physics output

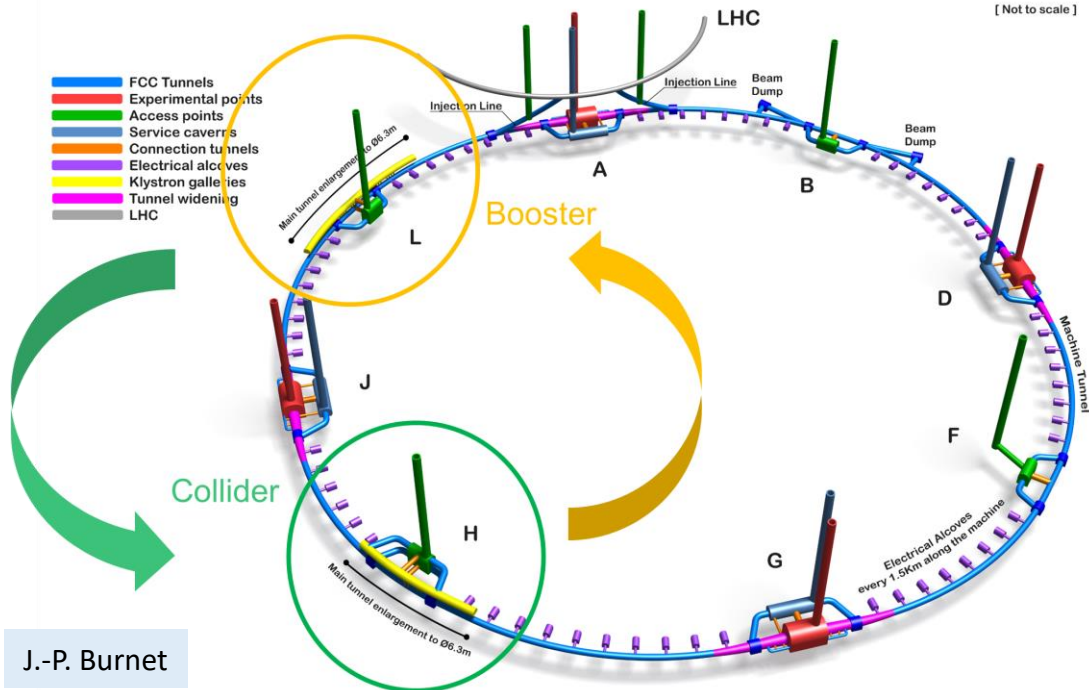
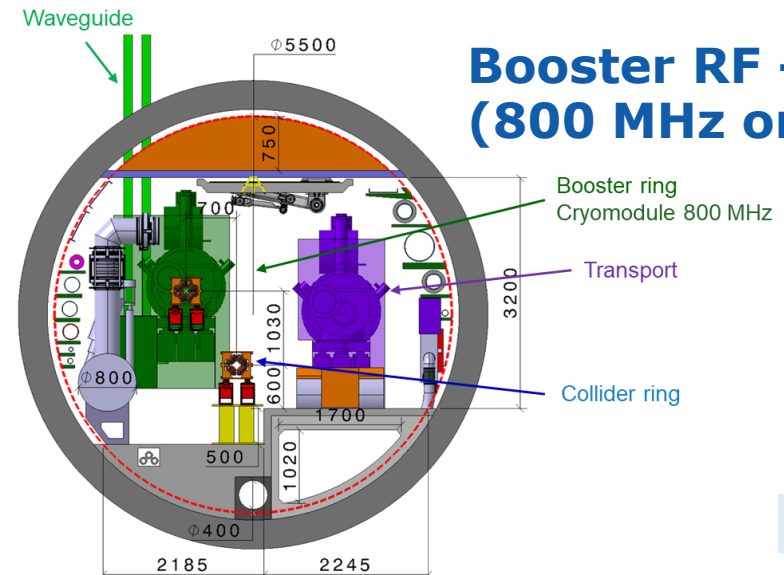
# FCC-ee RF layout

- RF for collider and booster in separate straight sections H and L.
- fully separated technical infrastructure systems (cryogenics)
- collider RF (highest power demand) in point H with optimum connection to existing 400 kV grid line and better suited surface site

## Collider RF - Point H (400 and 800 MHz)



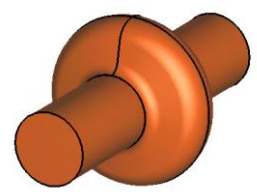
## Booster RF - Point L (800 MHz only)





**Z**

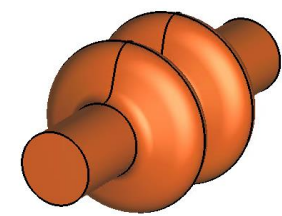
1-cell  
400 MHz,  
Nb/Cu



low R/Q, HOM damping, powered by 1 MW RF coupler and high efficiency klystron

**W, H**

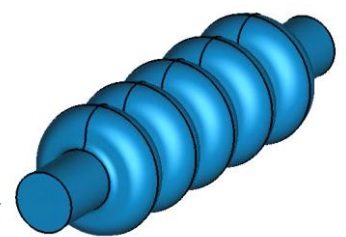
2-cell  
400 MHz,  
Nb/Cu



moderate gradient and HOM damping requirements; 500 kW / cavity, allowing reuse of klystrons already installed for Z

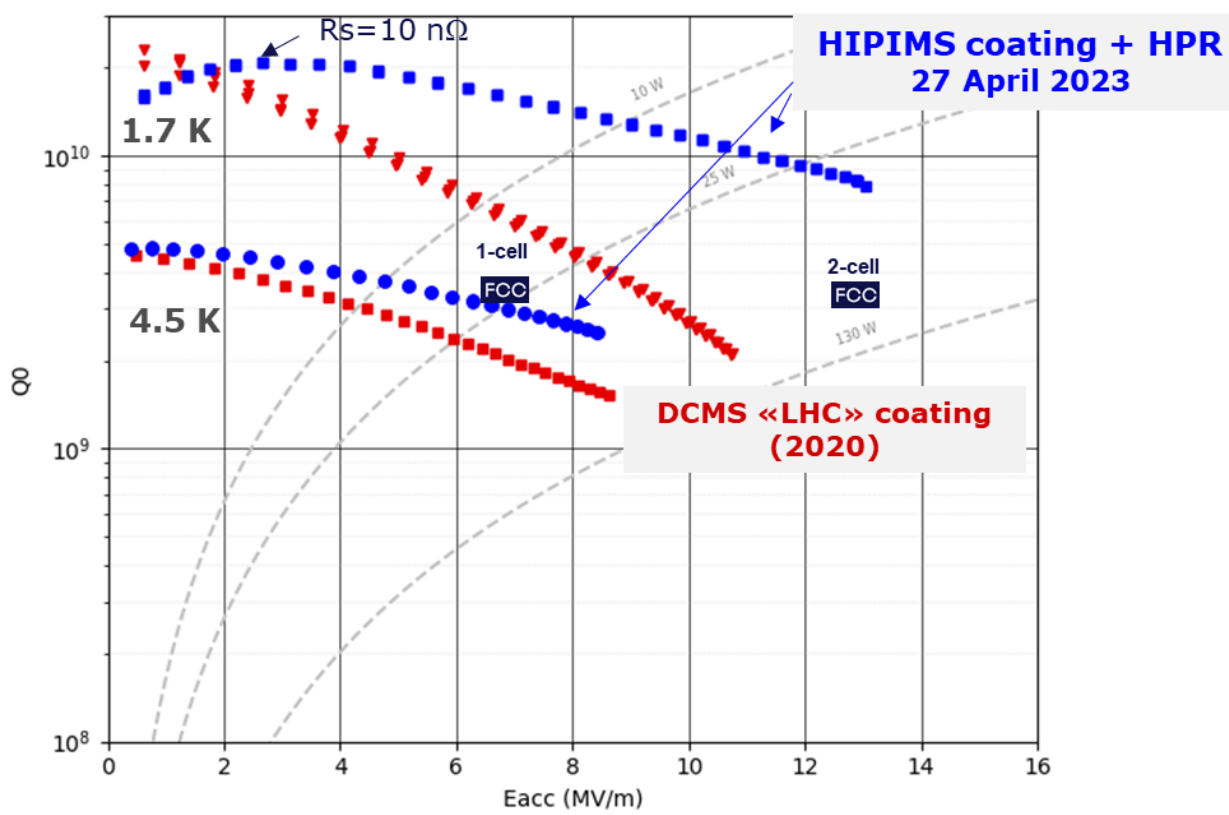
**ttbar, booster**

5-cell  
800 MHz,  
bulk Nb



high RF voltage and limited footprint thanks to multicell cavities and higher RF frequency; 200 kW/ cavity

## Broad R&D collaborations on SRF

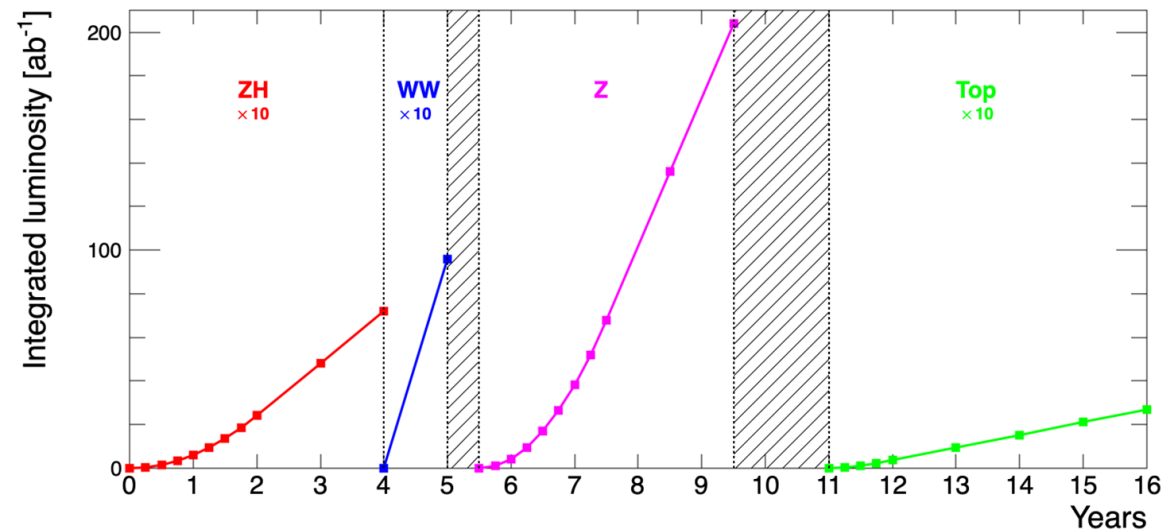
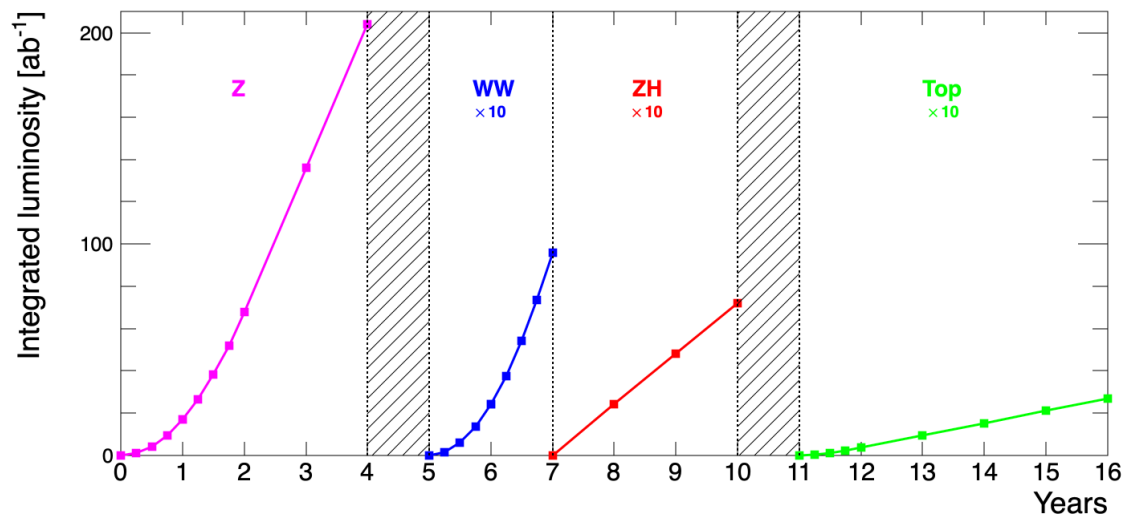
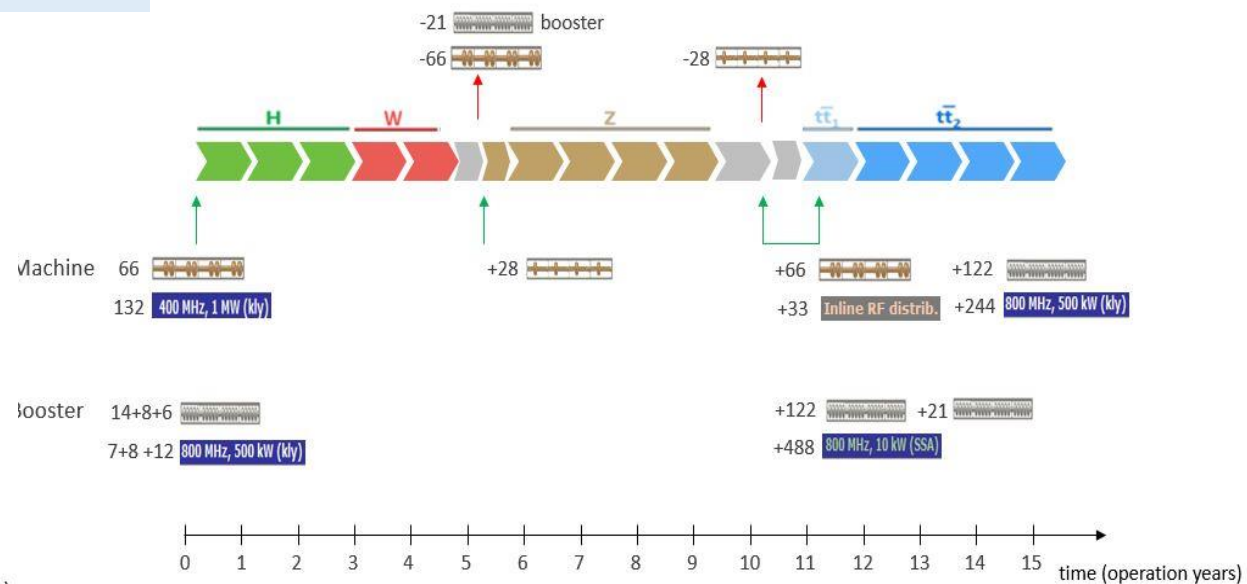
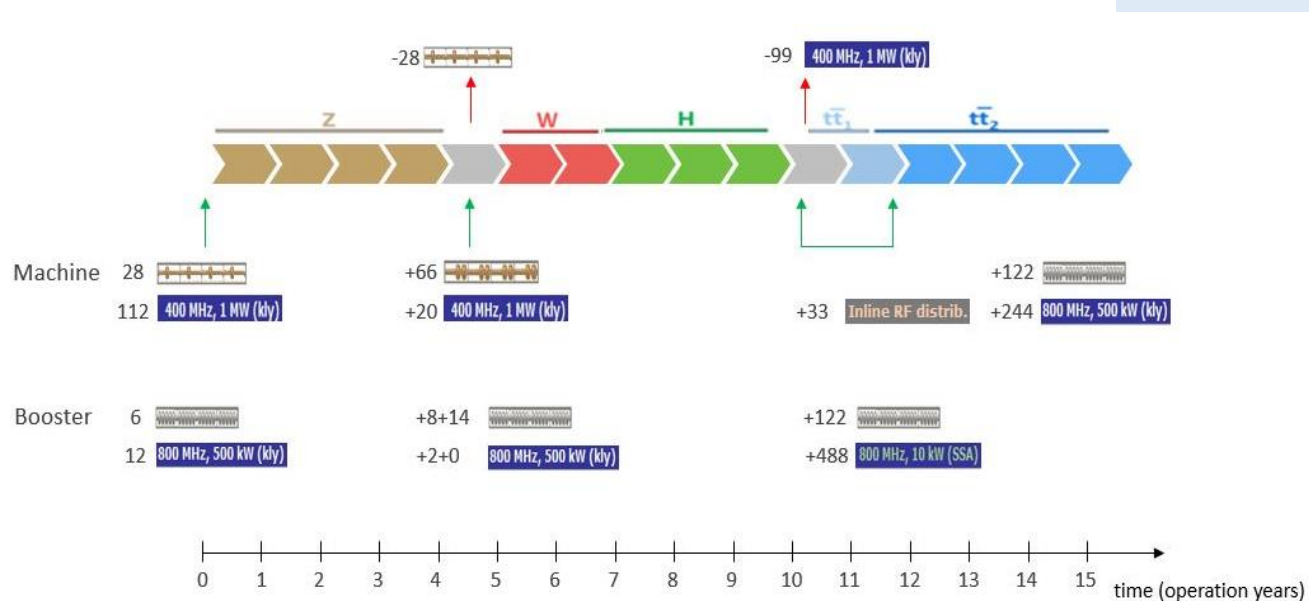


First attempt of HiPIMS\* niobium coating on a 400 MHz Cu cavity

\*High-power impulse magnetron sputtering

# Operation sequences for FCC-ee

O. Brunner, F. Peauger





parameter	FCC-hh	HL-LHC	LHC
collision energy cms [TeV]	<b>81 - 115</b>		14
dipole field [T]	<b>14 - 20</b>		8.33
circumference [km]	<b>90.7</b>		26.7
arc length [km]	<b>76.9</b>		22.5
beam current [A]	<b>0.5</b>	1.1	<b>0.58</b>
bunch intensity [ $10^{11}$ ]	<b>1</b>	2.2	<b>1.15</b>
bunch spacing [ns]	<b>25</b>		25
synchr. rad. power / ring [kW]	<b>1020 - 4250</b>	7.3	<b>3.6</b>
SR power / length [W/m/ap.]	<b>13 - 54</b>	0.33	<b>0.17</b>
long. emit. damping time [h]	<b>0.77 - 0.26</b>		12.9
peak luminosity [ $10^{34}$ cm <sup>-2</sup> s <sup>-1</sup> ]	<b>~30</b>	5 (lev.)	1
events/bunch crossing	<b>~1000</b>	132	27
stored energy/beam [GJ]	<b>6.1 - 8.9</b>	0.7	<b>0.36</b>

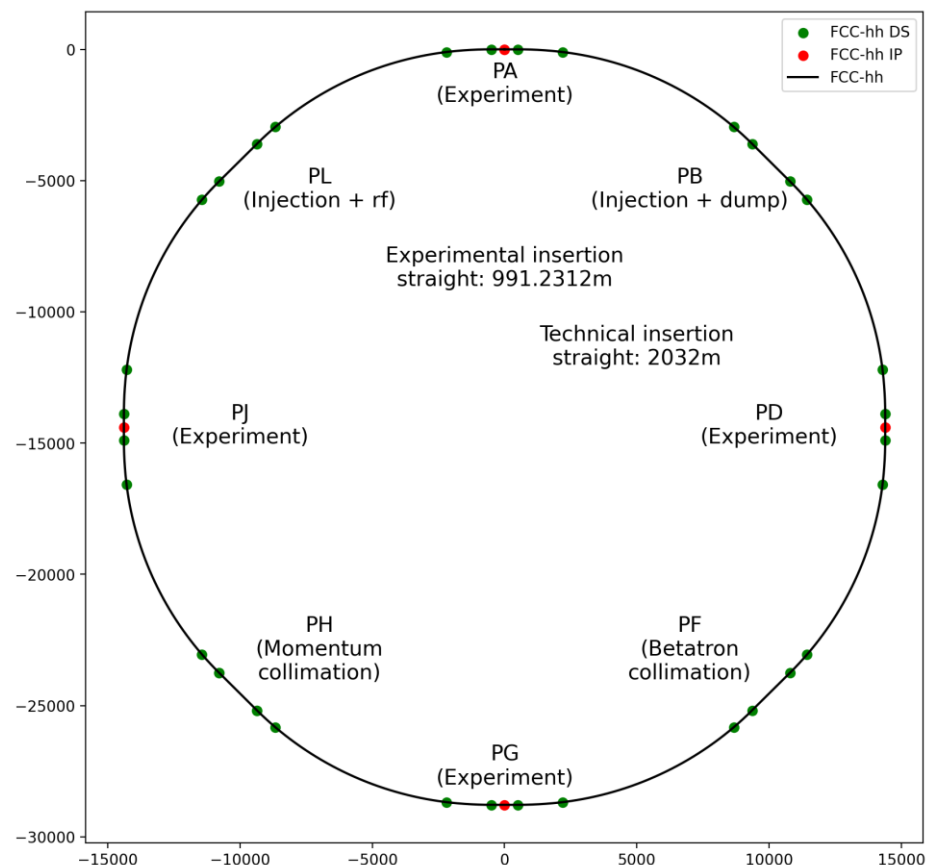
With FCC-hh after FCC-ee:  
significantly  
more time for high-field  
magnet R&D  
aiming at highest possible  
energies

Formidable challenges:

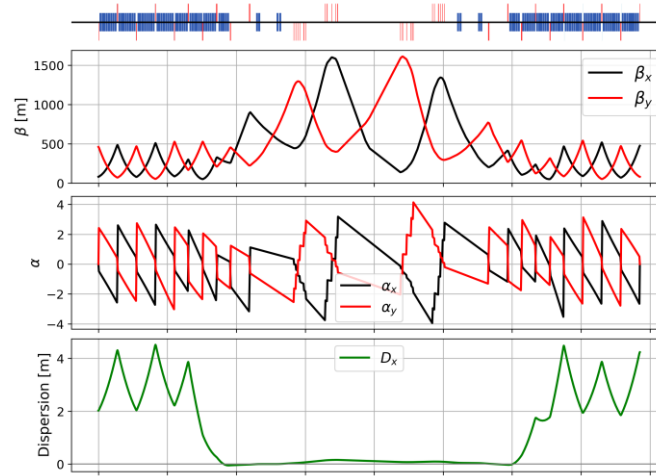
- high-field superconducting magnets: 14 - 20 T**
- power load** in arcs from **synchrotron radiation: 4 MW** → cryogenics, vacuum
- stored beam energy: ~ 9 GJ** → machine protection
- pile-up** in the detectors: **~1000 events/xing**
- energy consumption: 4 TWh/year** → R&D on cryo, HTS, beam current, ...

Formidable physics reach, including:

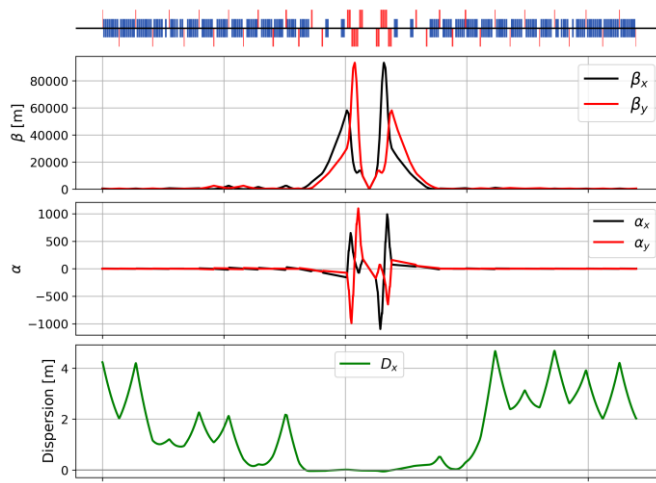
- Direct discovery potential up to ~ 40 TeV**
- Measurement of Higgs self to ~ 5% and ttH to ~ 1%
- High-precision and model-indep** (with FCC-ee input)  
measurements of **rare Higgs decays ( $\gamma\gamma, Z\gamma, \mu\mu$ )**
- Final word about WIMP dark matter**



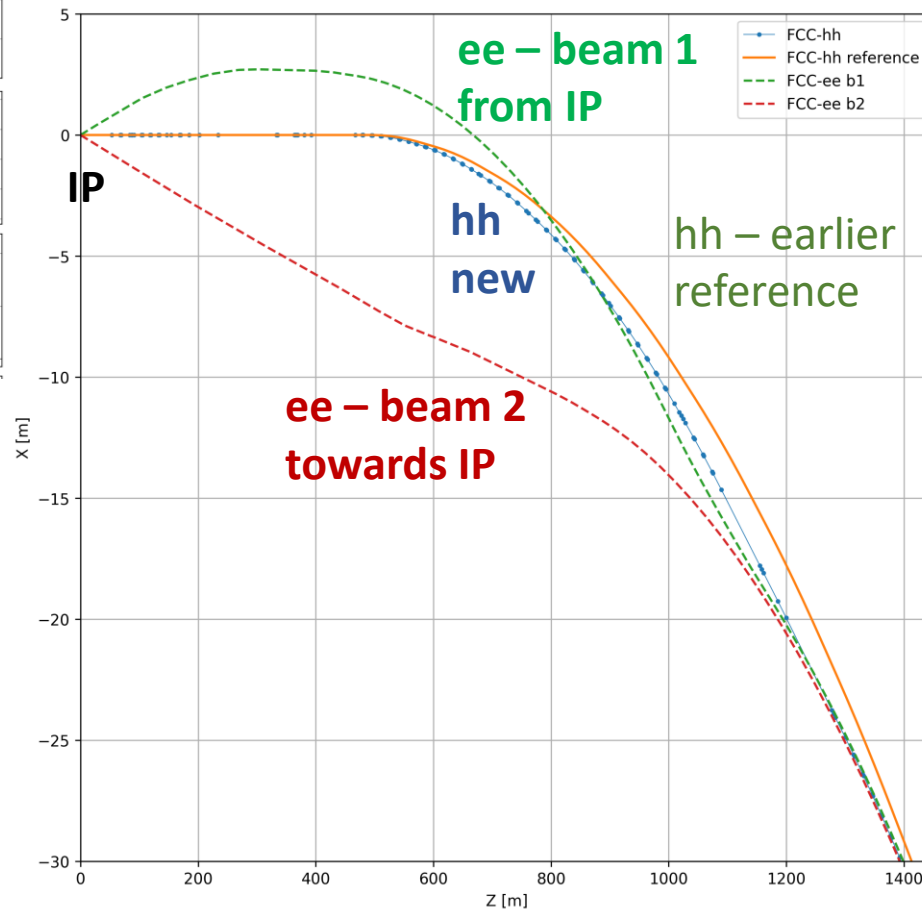
## betatron collimation straight



## experimental straight



## 3 - beam footprint at interaction point



- adaptation to new layout and geometry
- shrink  $\beta$  collimation & extraction by  $\sim 30\%$
- optics optimisation (filling factor etc.)
- move hh IPs on top of ee IP to optimise tunnel and cavern widths.



- A power-saving, cost-effective High-Field Magnet technology with minimum cryogen inventory is the ambitious goal for FCC-hh HFM R&D.
- FCC-hh magnet R&D requires a sustained and globally coordinated efforts by international magnet R&D programs (HFM Programme, US-MDP, nat'l programs, etc.).
- Good coordination and communication among the FCC integrated program and magnet R&D programs is indispensable.
- Many technologies and target parameters compete for optimum value:
  - LTS today is seen as a cost-effective, rel. low risk, and potentially fast-tracked option.
  - HTS as path towards FCC-hh aspirational goals (c.o.m energy, societal impact, etc., while remaining affordable).
  - Technical readiness of HTS lags behind that of LTS by many years.
- Need to exploit synergies with other fields and applications to help to sustain the long-term effort.

# Status of FCC global collaboration

increasing international collaboration as a prerequisite for success

150

Institutes

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Companies

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Countries





## **The first half of the FCC FS will soon be completed with the mid-term review**

- End October 2023: Review committee reports available to Scientific Policy Committee and Finance Committee
- 20 – 22 November 2023: SPC and FC review meetings on mid-term review
- 2 February 2024: CERN Council meeting on mid-term review

**Focus** so far: identifying best placement & layout and adapting entire project to new placement

**Focus** until end 2025: performance-risk-cost optimization considering project/operation phases and preparations for project preparatory phase

- Performance-risk-cost optimization considering construction & operation phases at system and global level
- Site investigation, surface site implementation with host states, environmental initial state, administrative processes
- Setting up for project preparatory phase: structure and resources, agreements with host states
- Setting up and strengthening R&D collaborations to advance towards technical design