



# Innovate for Sustainable Accelerating Systems (iSAS)

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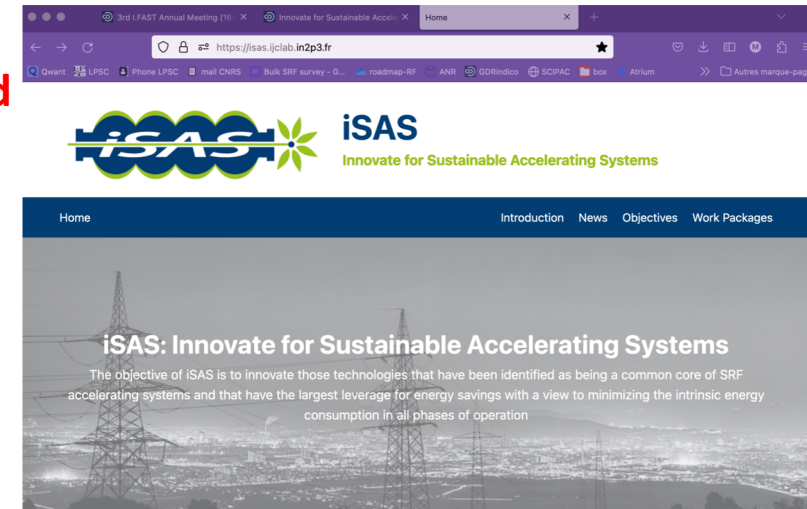
# Context

- Particle accelerators are exceptional instruments for research and multiple applications, but require important electrical consumption, especially for high beam power (high energy/intensity)
- In a global context of energy savings and sustainability
  - **minimizing the energy consumption of future accelerators is an unavoidable challenge**

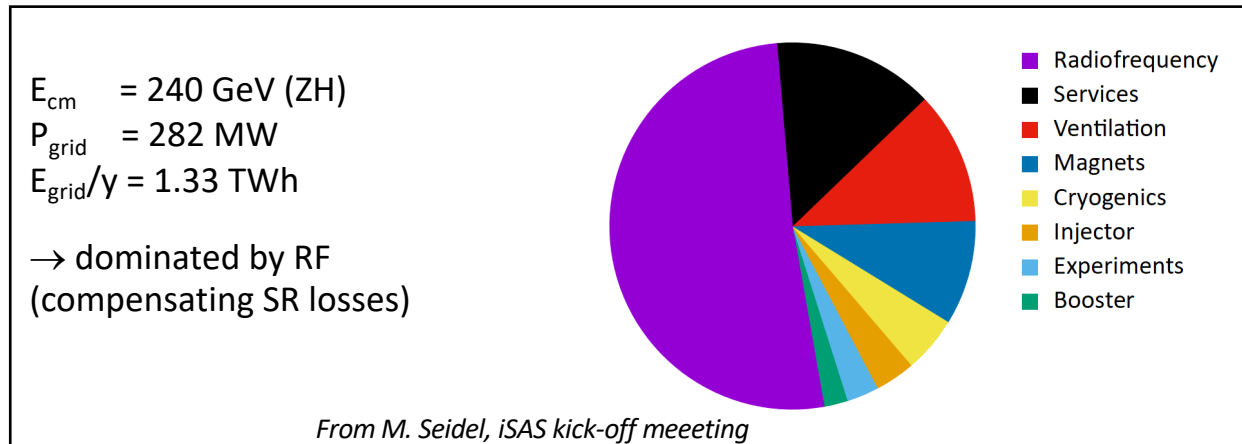
The energy efficiency of present and future accelerators [...] is and should remain an area requiring constant attention.  
*A detailed plan for the [...] saving and re-use of energy should be part of the approval process for any major project.*

*European Strategy for Particle Physics update, 2020 (CERN-ESU-011)*

- Within the EU funding programs, HORIZON-INFRA-2023-TECH-01 call dedicated to “***New technologies and solutions for reducing the environmental and climate footprint of Research Infrastructures*** »
- ***Project « Innovate for Sustainable Accelerating Systems (iSAS) » approved, launched***
  - Kick-off meeting 15-16 April, at IJCLab-Orsay
  - <https://isas.ijclab.in2p3.fr/>



- How to tackle the difficult question of energy savings for accelerators ? What R&D to conduct ?
  - Breakdown of power consumption of accelerators for different subsystems
    - Depends upon the type of machine (circular, linear, ..)
    - Example of electron-positron Higgs factory



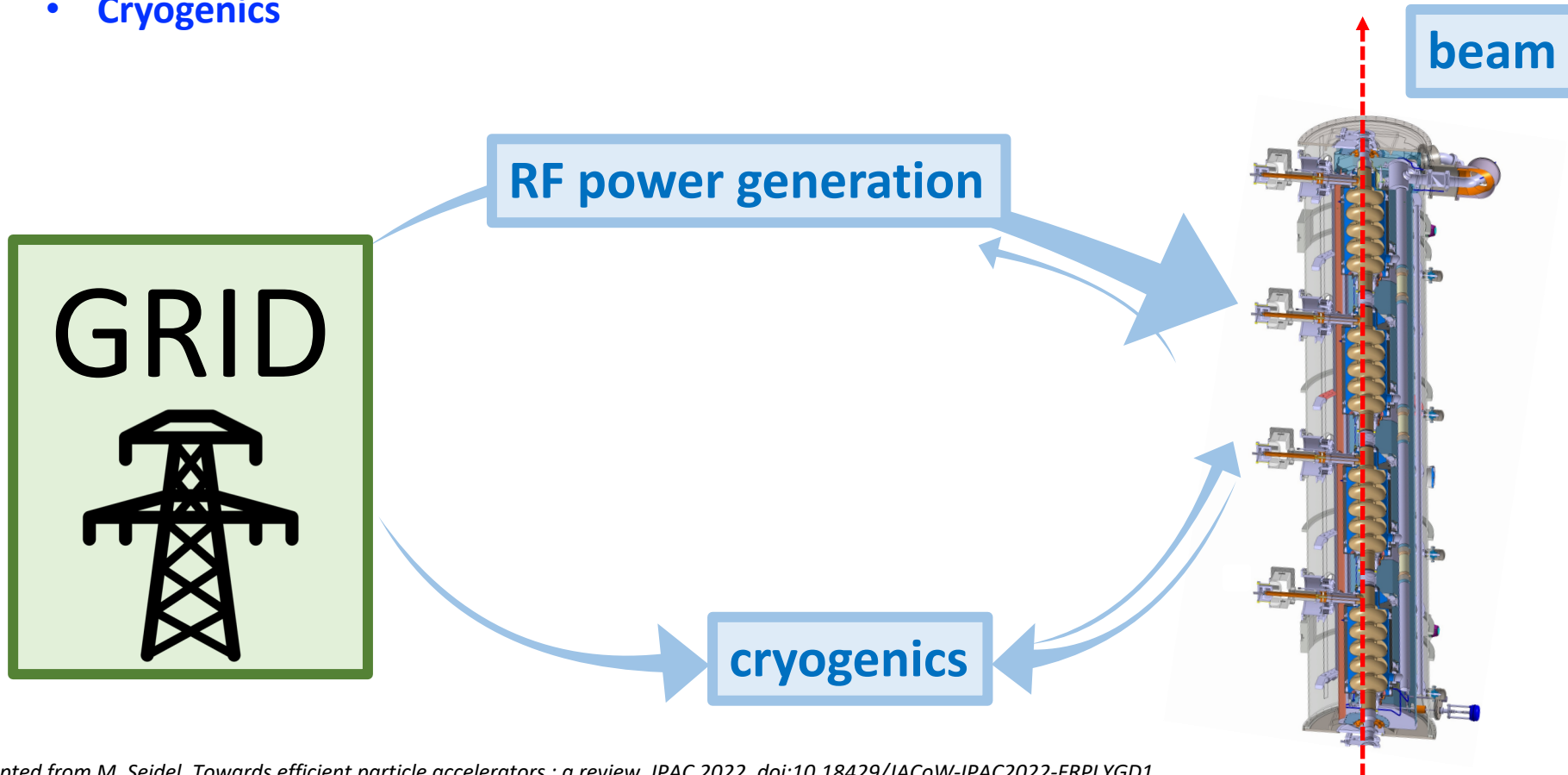
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[1] FCC CDR, Eur. Phys. J. Special Topics 228, 261–623 (2019)

- **iSAS will mainly concentrate on the energy savings from the RF**
  - Complementary to meaningful programs for energy savings on high efficiency magnets, high efficiency RF sources, reuse of RF heat ...
- Two axis of iSAS: **Develop** and **implement** energy savings technologies for particle accelerators
  - R&D on technologies
  - Implementation, eased by raising the TRL levels of the technologies
- Main focus on the 3 ESFRI Research Infrastructures (RI): HL-LHC, ESS and EuXFEL
  - Yet, developed technologies are independent, potentially to be used on various SRF applications

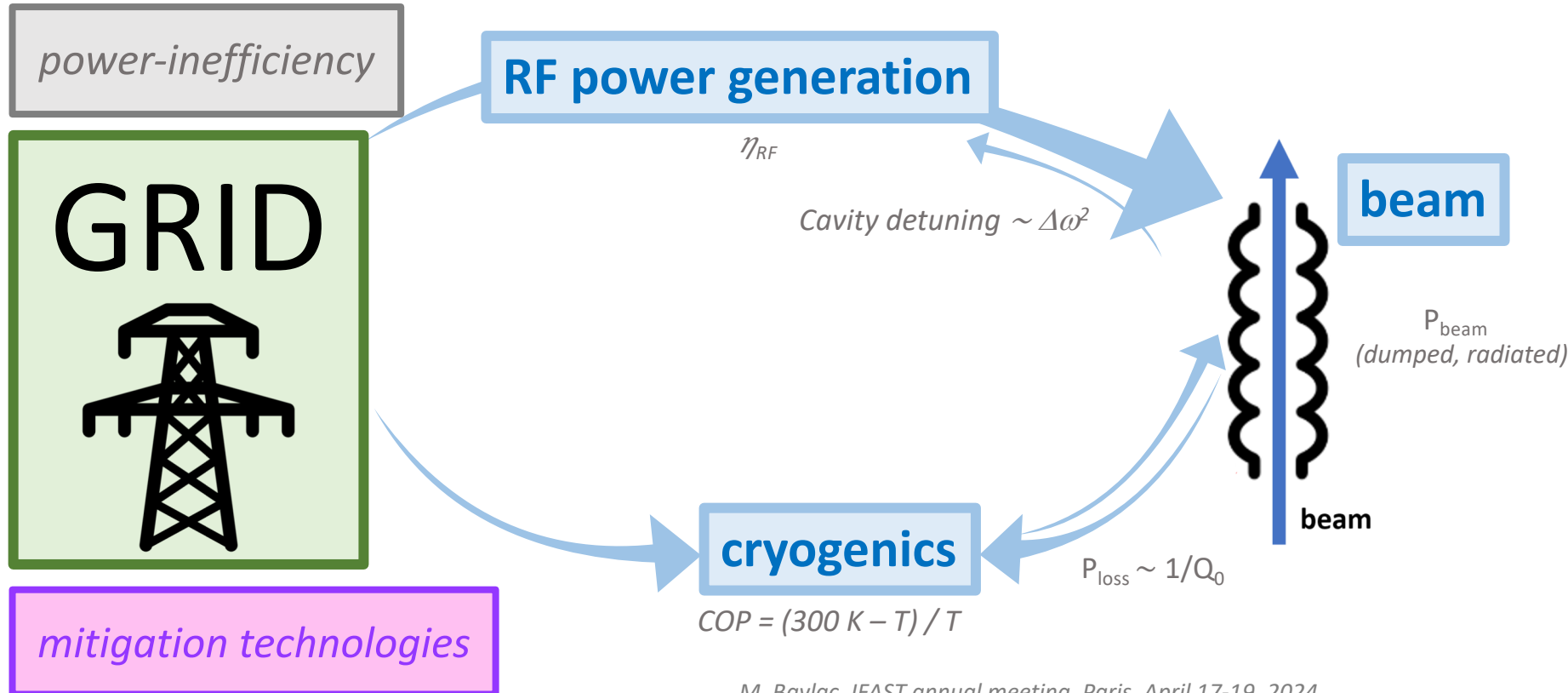
# Power transfer from the grid to the beam

- iSAS aims to improve the efficiency of SRF linac → cryomodule is the key element
- Essential powerflow to accelerate a beam in a cryomodule
  - RF power generation
  - Cryogenics



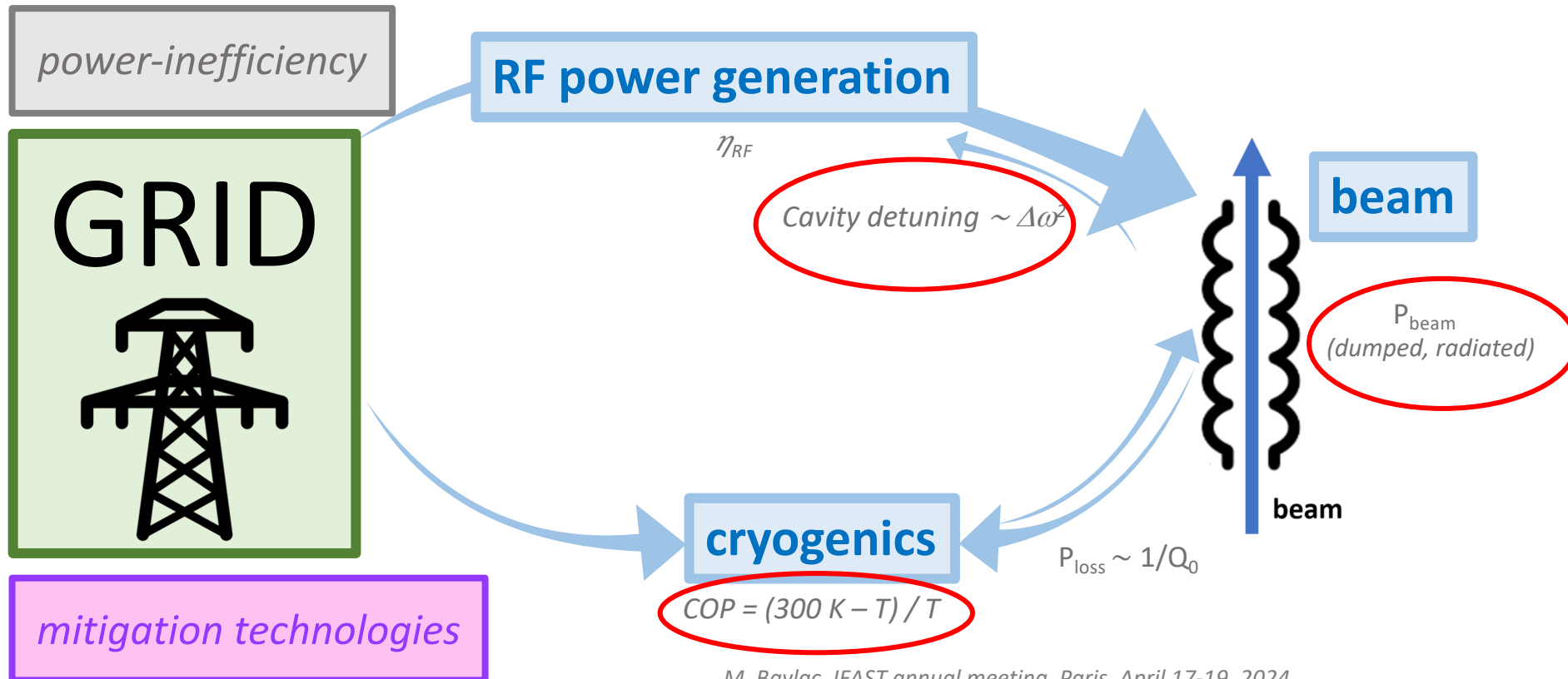


- **Multiple factors impact the grid-to-beam power efficiency and technologies for mitigation**
  - RF power source efficiency :  $\eta_{RF}$  → amplifier with enhanced efficiency (e.g. solid state technology)
  - RF load by detuned cavities → dealing with microphonics to reduce  $\Delta\omega$
  - Cavity cryogenic loss :  $P_{\text{loss}} \propto 1/Q_0$  → improve quality factor of the cavity  $Q_0$
  - Generation of cryogenics : COP → increase the operating temperature of the cavity (T)
  - Loss of the beam power :  $P_{\text{beam}}$  → recover the energy of the beam (ERL)



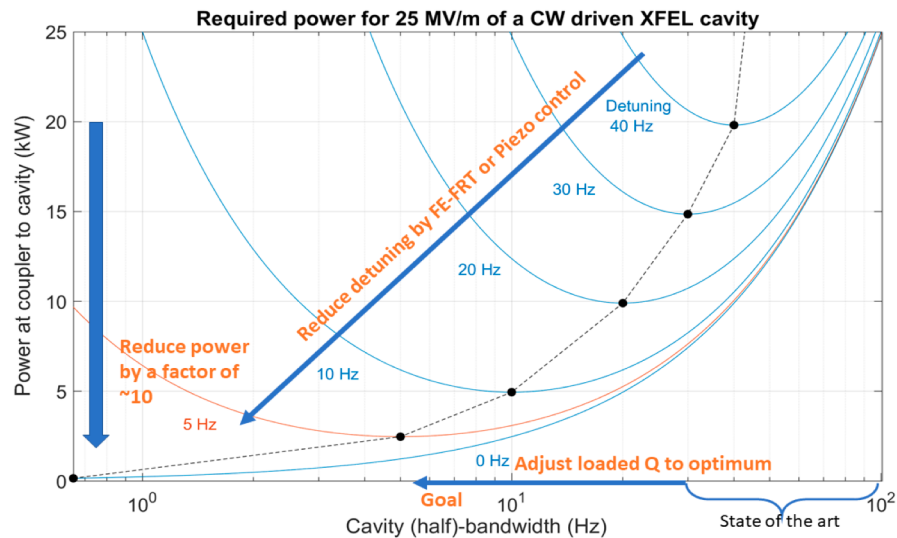
- Technologies to mitigate power inefficiencies

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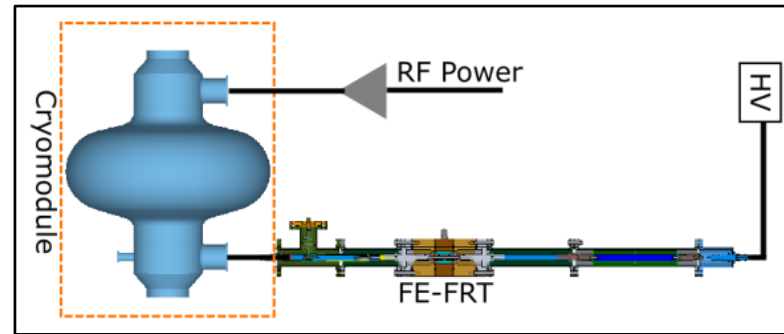


# Energy saving from RF power (TA#1): objectives

- Goals : reduce the large RF power overhead required to
  - Compensate the detuning induced by mechanical vibrations
  - Control the transient beam loading
- Develop novel fast tuning system, Ferro-Electric Fast Reactive Tuners (FE-FRTs)
  - Couple a tunable device to the resonator to change the frequency of the coupled system
  - Frequency changed by applying HV to a FE material with tuneable dielectric constant (BST: Ba, Sr, Ti )
  - Based on previous work by CERN, Lancaster, BNL and Euclid techlabs



Required power for a number of detuning scenarios as a function of the cavity (half-)bandwidth for an EuXFEL cavity operated at 25 MV/m



FE-FRT coupled to a cavity

Fast tuning response ~100 ns  
Tuning range ~ tens of kHz

N.C. Shipman *et al.*, "A Ferroelectric Fast Reactive Tuner for Superconducting Cavities", in *Proc. SRF'19*, Dresden, Germany, Jun.-Jul. 2019, pp. 781-788. doi:10.18429

*Conceptual design of a high reactive-power ferroelectric fast reactive tuner* Phys. Rev. Accel. Beams, I. Ben-Zvi, G. Burt, A. Castilla, A. Macpherson, and N. Shipman, accepted 12 April 2024

From Axel Neuman, iSAS kickoff meeting



# Energy saving from RF power (TA#1): objectives

- Goals : reduce the required RF power by
  - efficient field control and detuning control with Low Level Radio Frequency (LLRF)

→ demonstrate the operation of a digital LLRF system, integrating AI, for optimum control of field and detuning

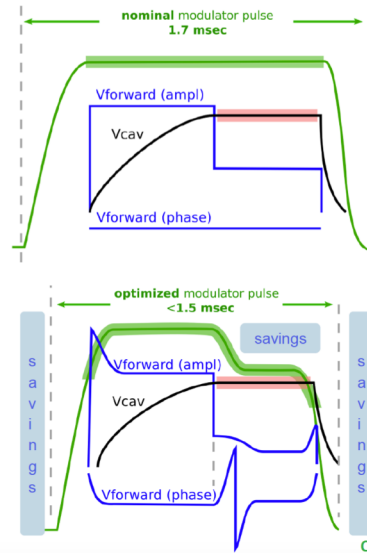
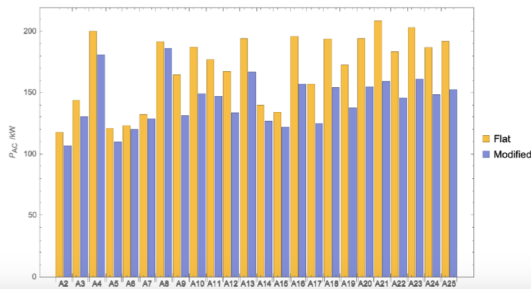


## WP2: Low Level RF controls Reduce energy consumption @ EuXFEL



Successive iterations, implemented over the last 2+ years

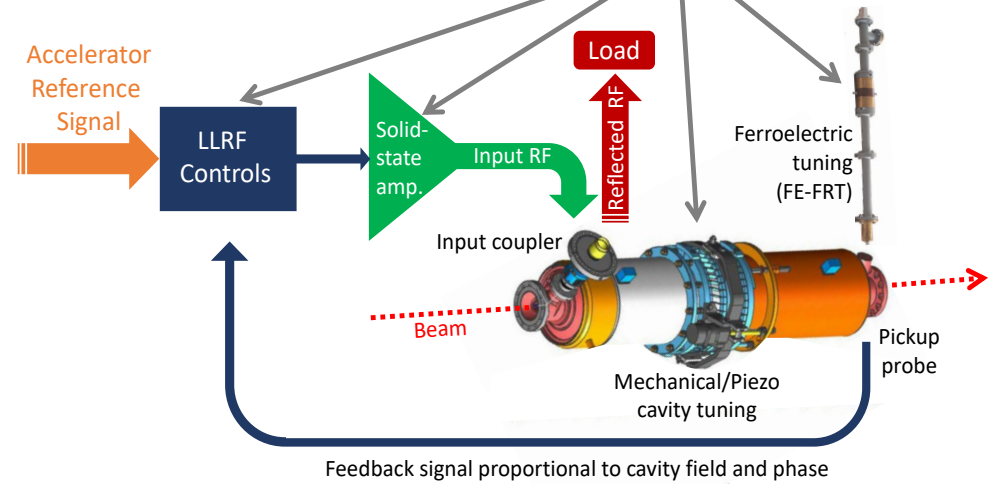
- Shorten modulator pulse : 1700 msec → 1500 msec
- Step down 15-20% over 100 usec
- Implemented on 17/20 stations in L3
- Estimated additional power savings ~ 650 kW (out of 5 MW total power)



Courtesy: J. Branlard

**Integrated iSAS approach to save grid power for RF**

- Digital AI/ML-assisted field and detuning control
- Reduced detuning by piezo and new FE-FRT tuners
- Smart amplifier control



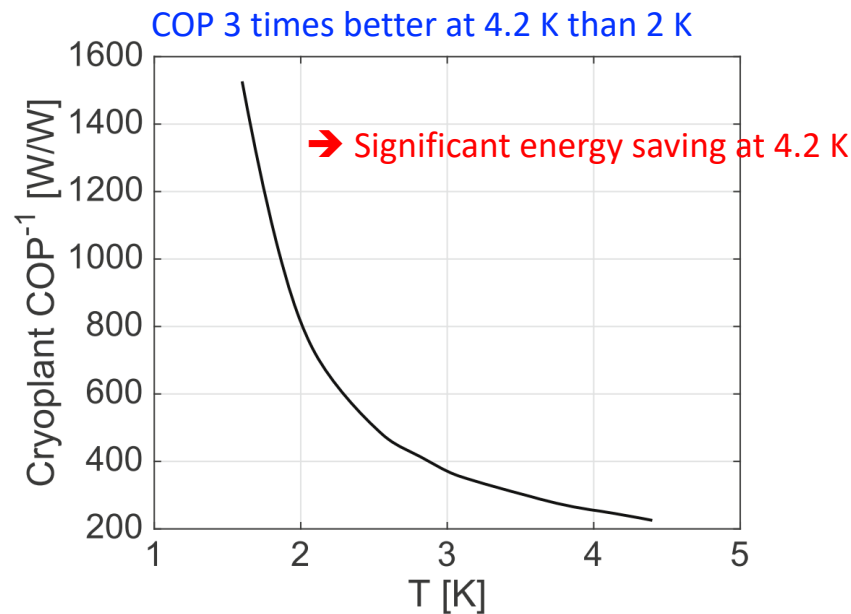
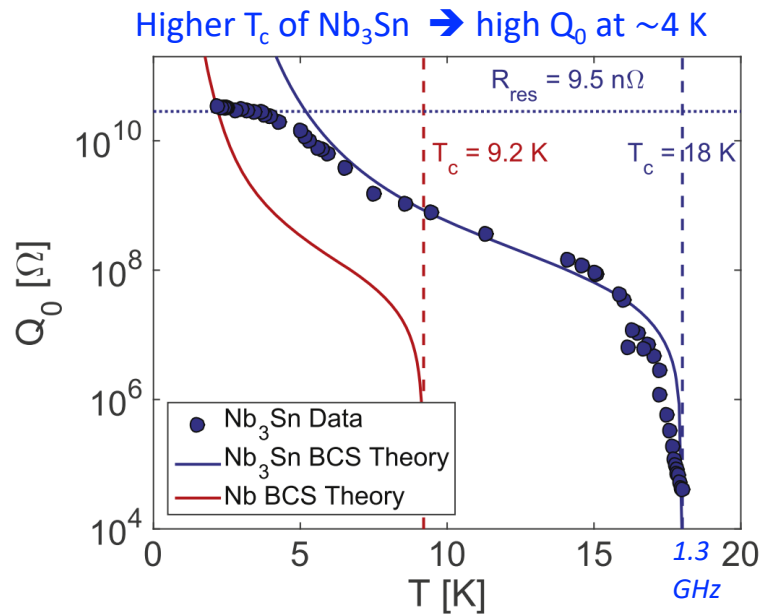
→ At EU-XFEL: savings of 650 kW out of 5 MW by optimizing modulators

From Holger Schlarb, iSAS kickoff meeting



# Energy saving from cryogenics (TA#2) : objectives

- **Goals : reduce the necessary cryogenics power with**
    - **Higher T<sub>c</sub> material allows operation at 4.2 K instead of 2 K while maintaining high Q<sub>0</sub> and E<sub>acc</sub> thus reducing both**
      - operation cost : estimated to a factor of 3
      - investment cost : tens of M€ for ESS, XFEL
- Explore coatings of Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn on Cu to minimize flux trapping and test the tunability of thin-film cavities with a prototype
- Strong synergy with I.FAST, aim to go beyond the achievements of IFAST WP9



Extra construction cost between 2K and 4 K operation

Table 1: Cost estimation of the 2 K part for two examples of recent projects.

Example	XFEL	ESS
<b>Cryomodules #</b>	~100	~40
<b>Pumps</b>	25 M€	10 M€
<b>Heaters</b>	1 M€	400 k€
<b>Linac length</b>	~1 km	400 m
<b>Lines</b>	1 M€	400 k€
<b>2K total</b>	~27 M€	~11 M€
<b>Total cryogenic installation</b>	80 M€ (?*)	50 M€

\* For XFEL, an already existing facility was completed so the exact figures are not known

C. Antoine, R&D in superconducting RF: thin film capabilities as a game changer for future sustainability, in Proc. IPAC2023, Venice, Italy

S. Posen et al, Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn superconducting radiofrequency cavities: fabrication, results, properties, and prospects, Supercond. Sci. Technol. 30 (2017) 033004

From Cristian Pira, iSAS kickoff meeting

M. Baylac, IFAST annual meeting, Paris, April 17-19, 2024

# Energy saving from beam (TA#3) : objectives

- **Goals : reduce the heat loads of the cryogenics by**
    - **reducing the power deposited by the Fundamental Power Couplers (FPCs) and Higher-Order Mode (HOM) by new designs for high current operation while minimizing their static and dynamic heat loads in the cryogenic system**
- *Designing and building prototypes to be integrated and tested in accelerator-like conditions in a cryomodule capable of energy-recovery operation*

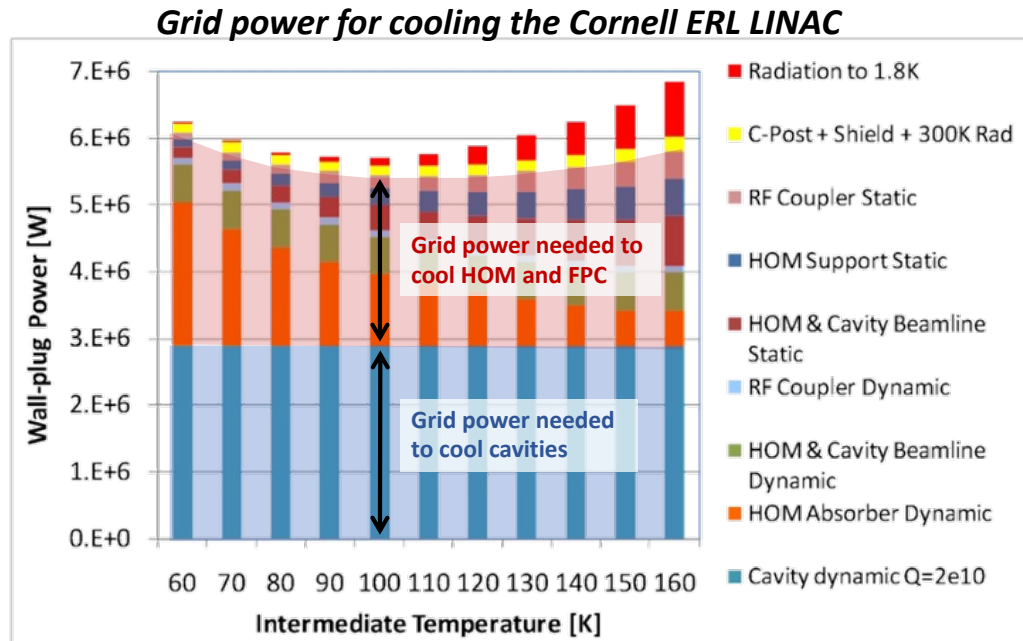


Figure adapted from "Cornell Energy Recovery LINAC Project Definition Design Report", G Hoffstatter, S. Gruner, M. Tigner, eds. (2013)

→ **HOM and FPC : half of the full cryogenic load**



CERN HiLumi HOM Coupler

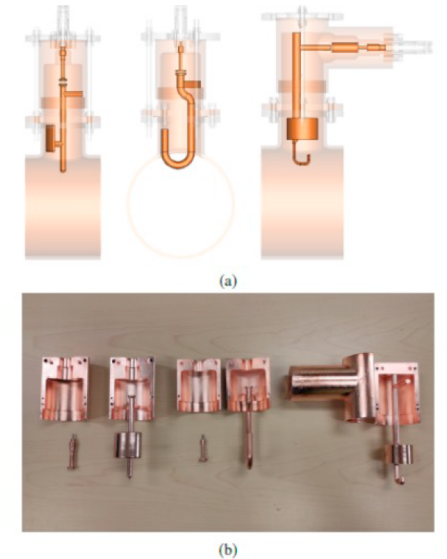


Figure 1: Mechanical design (a) and 3D-printed plastic and copper-coated prototypes (b) of the Probe, Hook, and DQW HOM couplers (from left to right).

C. Barbagallo et al, "First coaxial HOM coupler prototypes and RF measurements on a copper cavity for the PERLE project", in *Proc. IPAC'23*, Venice, Italy

From Yolanda Gomez Martinez, iSAS kickoff meeting





# Energy saving from RF power (TA#1)

## WP1 and WP2

- **WP1 : Ferro Electric Fast Reactive Tuners (FE-FRT) – Axel NEUMAN (HZB)**
  - 1.1 : coordination
  - 1.2: **FE-FRT for Transient Beam Loading**: design & performance tests for an LHC 400 MHz cavity in an existing cryomodule
  - 1.3: **FE-FRT for Microphonics**: design, fabricate and validate in a cryomodule like setup for 1.3 GHz cavities, single-cell and multi-cell (TESLA/XFEL)
  - 1.4: **FE-FRT for Microphonics compensation in Energy-Recovery LINAC (ERL) mode**: for 800 MHz cavities and study the requirements for integration in a cryomodule
  - **Participants : [HZB](#), [CERN](#), [CNRS](#), [Univ. Lancaster](#)**
- **WP2 : Low Level RF controls (LLRF) – Holger SCHLARB (DESY)**
  - 2.1 : coordination
  - 2.2 : **Efficient field control for high loaded-quality factor ( $Q_L > 5E7$ ) cavities in CW and long pulse operation (incl. a ML-based feedback controller)**
  - 2.3 : **Vibration analysis and detuning control** of cavities (including ML-based control)
  - 2.4 : **Integrate LLRF control using FE-FRT**
  - 2.5 : **Energy efficient supervisory control and fault diagnosis** (including ML-based diagnosis)
  - **Participants : [DESY](#), [CNRS](#), [HZB](#)**



# Energy saving from cryogenics (TA#2,TA#3): WP3 and WP4

- **WP3 : Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn on Cu films for 4.2 K cavity operation – Cristian PIRA (INFN)**
  - 3.1 : coordination
  - 3.2 : **Flux trapping**: study how trapped magnetic flux may affect the superconducting properties of the thin film and its RF surface resistance
  - 3.3 : **RF tunability**: study and improve mechanical properties of superconducting thin films to assess the impact of future cavity tuning during normal 4.2 K operation
  - 3.4 : **Adaptative layers**: developing suitable adaptative layers on Cu for subsequent Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn deposition to reduce the detrimental effect of mechanical deformation on the superconducting properties of Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn
  - 3.5 : **Working cavity @ 4.2K**: optimize the superconducting coating procedure of 1.3 GHz cavities including an adaptive layer and demonstrate suitability for 4.2 K operation (using Cu cavities originally produced for I.FAST)
  - Participants : [INFN](#), [CEA](#), [HZB](#), [UKRI](#)
- **WP4 : HOM and FPC – Yolanda GOMEZ MARTINEZ (CNRS/LPSC)**
  - 4.1 : coordination
  - 4.2 : **HOM coupler design**: with simulations for various models and mechanical integration issues in a cryomodule
  - 4.3 : **Fabrication of HOM couplers**: R&D on fabrication strategy for prototypes at 800 MHz and 1.3 GHz
  - 4.4 : **Test of the HOM couplers**: performance validation of the design with RF measurements on mock-up cavities
  - 4.5 : **RF coupler design**: optimize cost, cooling, heat loads, fabrication time, and mechanical integration issues in a cryomodule
  - 4.6 : **Fabrication of RF couplers**: build 4 prototypes
  - 4.7 : **Test of the RF couplers**: performance validation of the design with RF conditioning in CW mode (50 kW)
  - Participants : [CNRS/LPSC](#), [INFN](#), [CERN](#)





# Implementation of iSAS technologies

- **Development of 4 technologies**

- WP1 : FE-FRT
- WP2 : LLRF
- WP3 : 4K cavity
- WP4 : HOM couplers and FPC

➔ *Technology Areas (TA)*

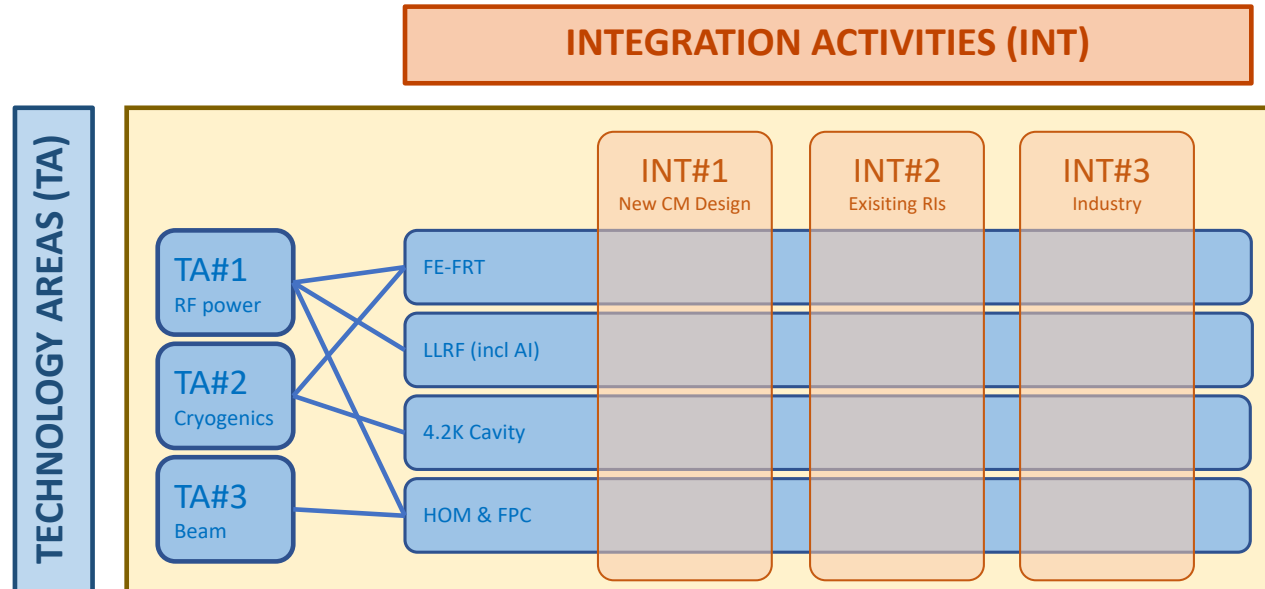
- (TA#1)
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- (TA#2)
- (TA#3)

- **Implementation of these 4 Technology Areas**

- **WP5 : In the design of a new energy-saving cryomodule**
- **WP6 : In current and future research infrastructures accelerator**
- **WP7 : Into industrial solutions**

➔ *Integration Activities (IA)*

- (IA#1)
- (IA#2)
- (IA#3)

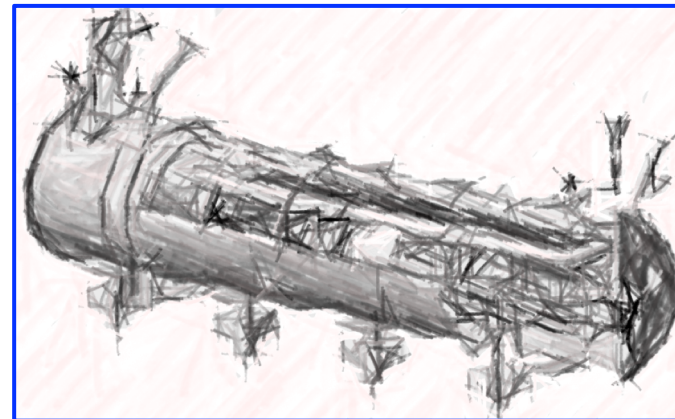




# Implementation in a new linac cryomodule :

## WP5

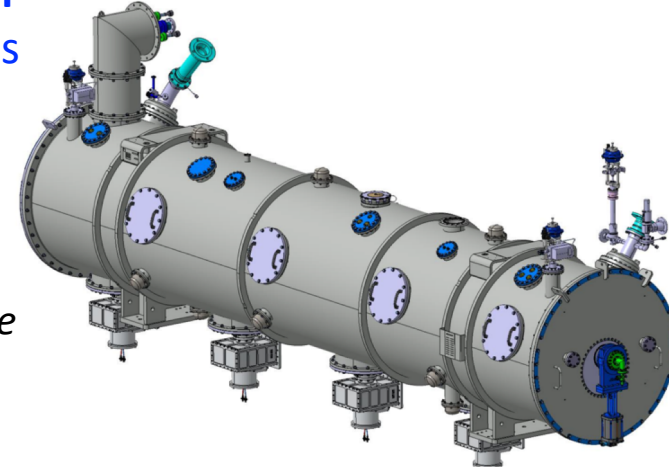
- **Implementation of technologies in the design of a new energy-saving cryomodule**
  - While LINAC cryomodules are designed for specific accelerators, iSAS will address the common engineering challenges of **integrating the technologies into a parametric design** of a new energy-saving accelerator system
- **Structure – Nuno ELIAS (ESS)**
  - 5.1 : Coordination
  - 5.2 : **Lessons learned with ESS cryomodules and benchmarking with other recent facilities**
  - 5.3 : **Sustainable criteria** for LINAC cryomodule design
  - 5.4 : **Beam dynamics for ERL-based accelerators** with the energy-efficient cryomodules
- **Partners : [ESS](#), [CNRS](#), [CERN](#), [INFN](#), [EPFL](#)**



Integrating the technologies into a parametric cryomodule design

- **Implementation of technologies in current and future research infrastructures accelerator**
  - While various RIs envisage upgrades, iSAS will expedite the integration of technologies by **retrofitting existing accelerating systems**

*An existing cryomodule will be adapted, ready to demonstrate energy recovery of high-power recirculating beams in PERLE*



Technologies integrated on the PERLE cryomodule

- **Structure – Guillaume OLRY (CNRS/IJCLab)**
  - 6.1 : Coordination
  - 6.2 : **Retrofitting Fast Reactive Tuners** into existing cryomodules
  - 6.3 : **Adapt the existing ESS cryomodule**
  - 6.4 : **Fabrication and validation of cryomodule components**
  - 6.5 : **Assembly and test of the adapted cryomodule**
- **Partners : [CNRS/IJCLAB](#), CEA, ESS, INFN, Lancaster University**





# Implementation into industrial solutions :

## WP7

- **Implementation of technologies into industrial solutions**
  - While iSAS technologies are emerging, iSAS aims for concrete **co-developments with industry to increase the Technology Readiness Level** (TRL) sufficiently towards largescale deployment of the energy-saving solutions at current and future Ris, as well as industrial applications.
- **Structure – Giorgio KEPPEL (INFN)**
  - 7.1 : Coordination
  - 7.2 : **Relations with industries:** engagement to expedite the evolution from low to higher TRL (involving an Industry Board involved in design reviews with a view on industrialization)
  - 7.3 : **Business opportunities:** develop an iSAS project repository and disseminate the innovative technologies
- **Partners : INFN, CNRS**

iSAS Technologies		initial TRL	target TRL
<b>TA#1</b>	FE-FRT for transient detuning @ 400 MHz	4	6
	FE-FRT for transient detuning @ 800 MHz	1-2	4
	FE-FRT for microphonics @ 400 MHz	3	5-6
	FE-FRT for microphonics @ 800-1300 MHz	1-2	5-6
	LLRF controls	3-4	7
	LLRF + FE-FRT controls	2-3	6
<b>TA#2</b>	Nb3Sn-on-Cu films for 4.2-K cavity operation	2-3	4-5
<b>TA#3</b>	Higher-Order Mode couplers	2-3	5
	Fundamental Power Couplers	2-3	5

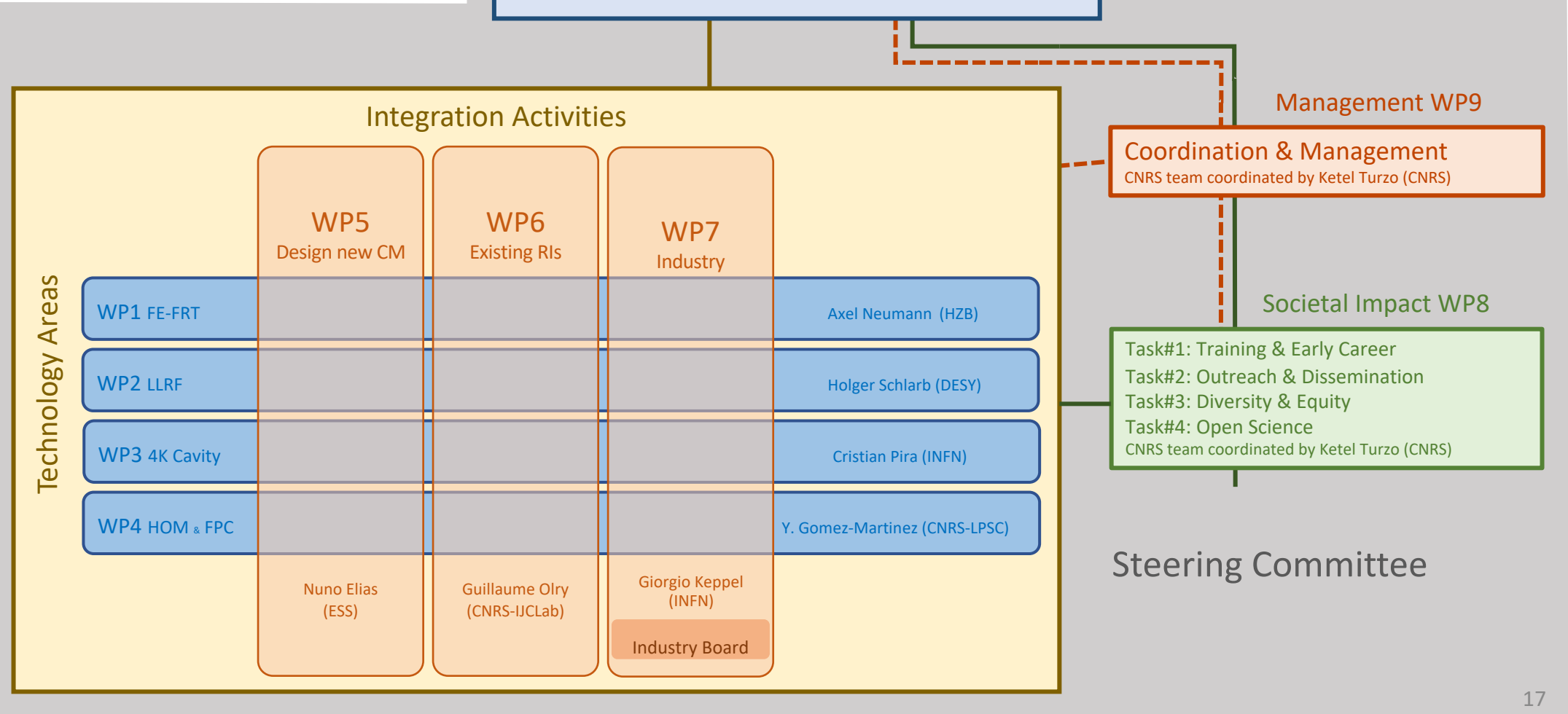


# Organization of iSAS

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*All (associate) partner institutes*

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 External Relations: Maud Baylac (CNRS-LPSC)  
 Ex-officio: chair Governing Board & chair Advisory Board

**Advisory Board**  
 Chair: Frederick Bordry (CERN)  
*International experts*





# Ressources and partners

- 4.7 M€ funded from Horizon Europe for a total budget of ~13 M€
- HR ~1000 person-months spread over 4 years
- Partners :



+ industrial companies: ACS Accelerators and Cryogenic Systems (Fr), RI Research Instruments GmbH (Germany), Cryoelectra GmbH (Germany), TFE Thin Film equipment srl (Italy), Zanon Research (Italy), EuclidTechLab (USA)

- Support of EuXFEL GmbH, I.FAST, LEAPS, LDG, TIARA as well as Enterprise Europe Network (EEN)

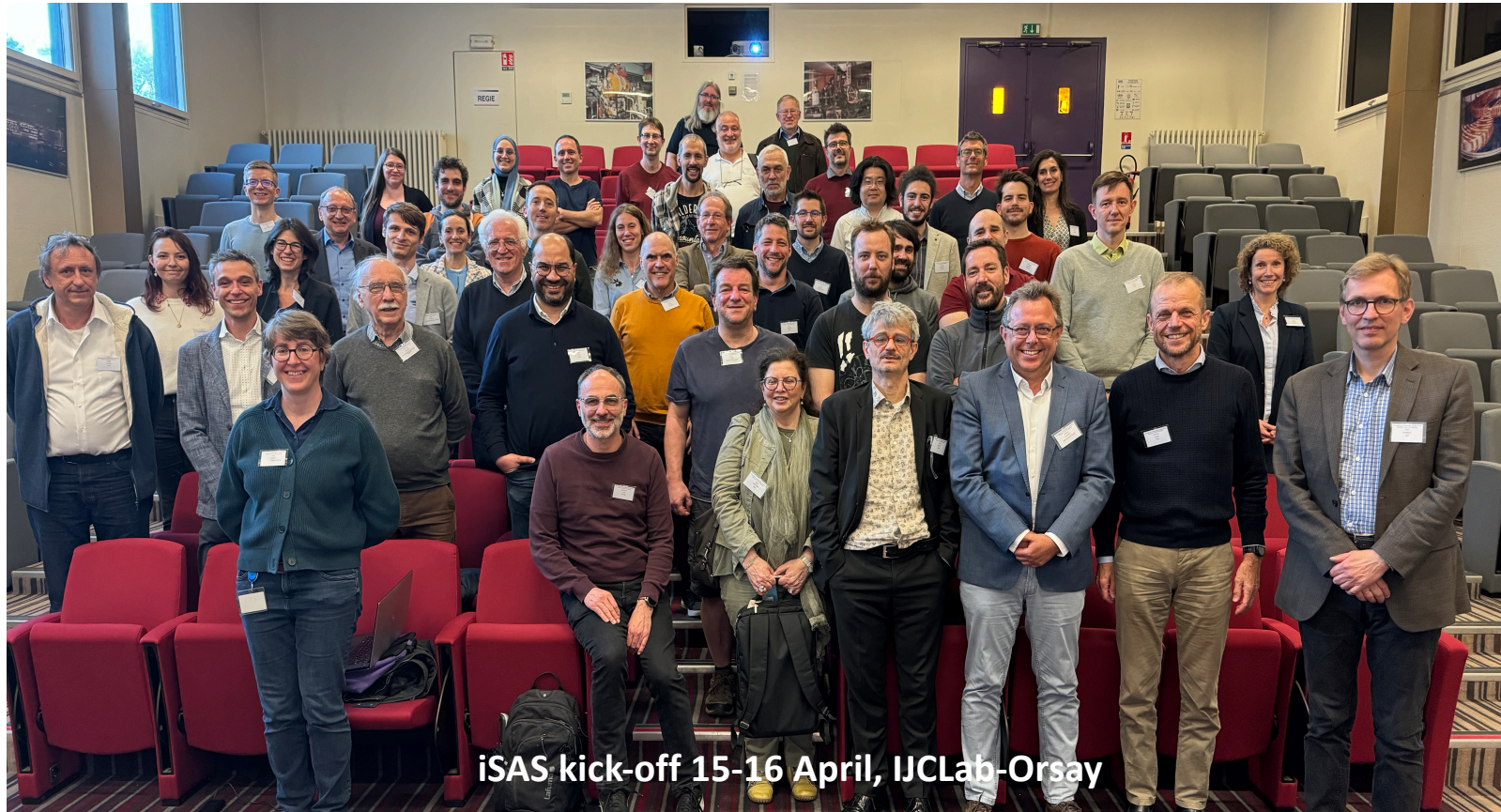


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# Conclusion

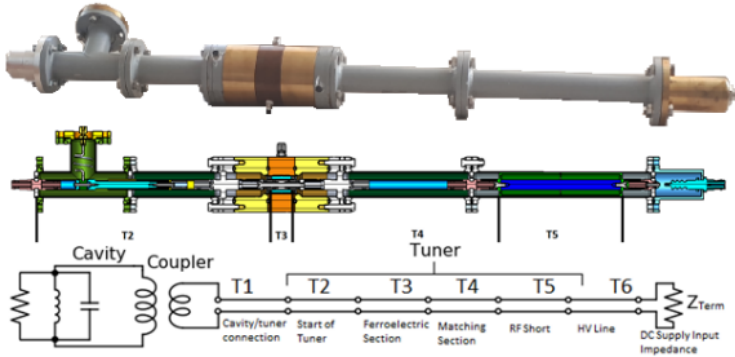
- With iSAS, impactful new energy-saving technologies will be developed, validated and integrated with a direct impact on current research infrastructures and their upgrades
- These technologies will stimulate the European industry to take a leading role in building systems for new accelerators
- On the long term, these technologies aim to reduce the energy footprint of future SRF accelerators towards a sustainable operation





**BACK UP**



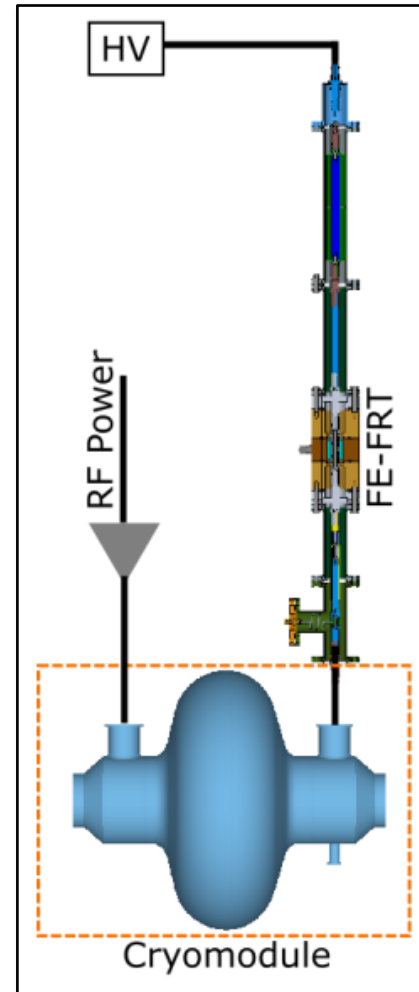


Prototype FE-FRT designed and built at Euclid and later sent to CERN

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- Instead of changing the boundary conditions via mechanical deformation for the fundamental mode  
→ Couple a tunable device to the resonator changing the frequency of the coupled system
- This can be done, by applying HV to a FE material  
→ Tuneable dielectric constant

→ We don't start from zero. All the following is based on previous work by CERN, Lancaster, BNL and euclid



**Pros and Cons:**

- Non-mechanical, no complex transfer/coupling behaviour as with e.g. piezos
- Fast tuning response on sub 100 ns timescale
- Tuning range on the order of tens to hundred (?) of kHz

But, physics is never for free

- A suitable coupler port is needed
- The material needs to operate at room temperature, windows, thermal transition required
- Low loss material for a high figure of merit required
- Fast switching HV source for transient detuning application
- HV breakdown of ceramics