



EURO-LABS

EUROPEAN LABORATORY  
FOR ACCELERATOR  
BASED SCIENCE

WP2

**„Access to nuclear physics facilities”**  
*Report and looking ahead program*

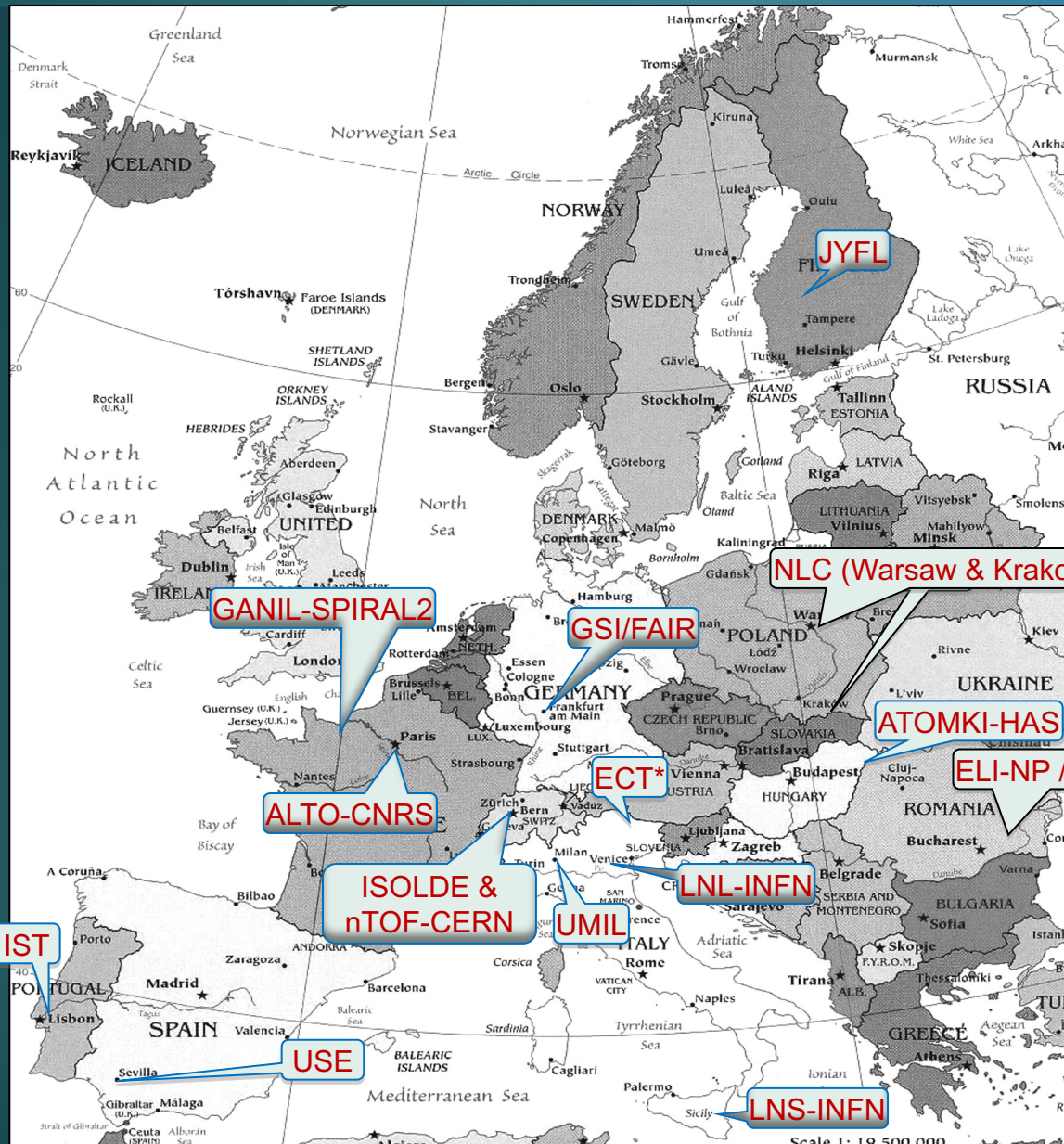
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**SERVICE  
IMPROVEMENTS**

# Map of Nuclear Physics facilities in WP2



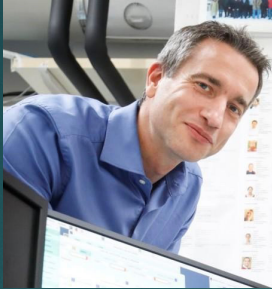




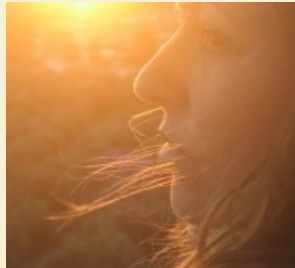
**17** TA/VA facilities  
in **9** countries

**16** beneficiaries  
in **11** countries

Community: **2500-3000**  
scientists and highly  
qualified engineers

# Organization of WP2

## WP2 coordination: Adam Maj (IFJ PAN Krakow)

Task	WP2.1 Stable Ion Beam Facilities	WP2.2 Radioactive Ion Beams Facilities	WP2.3 Neutron Beam Facilities	WP2.4 Theoretical Support for Experiments	WP2.5 Service Improvements
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RI	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>JYFL (Finland)</li> <li>LNL-LNS (Italy)</li> <li>GANIL-SPIRAL2 (France)</li> <li>ALTO (France)</li> <li>GSI/FAIR (Germany)</li> <li>NCL-SLCJ (Poland)</li> <li>NLC-CCB (Poland)</li> <li>IFIN Tandem (Romania)</li> <li>USE-CLEAR (Spain)</li> <li>ATOMKI-CLEAR (Hungary)</li> <li>IST-CLEAR (Portugal)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ALTO (France)</li> <li>ISOLDE (CERN)</li> <li>GSI/FAIR (Germany)</li> <li>GANIL-SPIRAL2 (France)</li> <li>LNL-LNS (Italy)</li> <li>JYFL (Finland)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>n-TOF (CERN)</li> <li>GANIL-SPIRAL2 (France)</li> <li>ALTO (France)</li> <li>LNL-LNS (Italy)</li> <li>USE-CLEAR (Spain)</li> <li>ATOMKI-CLEAR (Hungary)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ECT* (Italy)</li> <li>VA Theo4Exp: MeanField4Exp (Poland)</li> <li>Reaction4Exp (Spain)</li> <li>Structure4Exp (Italy)</li> </ul> <p><b>Manuela Rodriguez-Gallardo</b> (U. Sevilla, Spain)</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Streamlined procedures + Remote access</li> <li>Bio medical</li> <li>Ion source improvements</li> <li>Target developments</li> <li>Traveling detectors</li> </ul>
	TA	TA	TA	TAVA	

## TA Facilities Coordinators

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GANIL-SPIRAL2

IJCLab ALTO

GS1/FAIR

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n-TOF@CERN

JYFL

NLC-SLCJ

NLC\_CCB

IFIN-HH

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Gianluca Colo

(Reactions4Exp)

(MeanField4Exp)

(Structure4Exp)

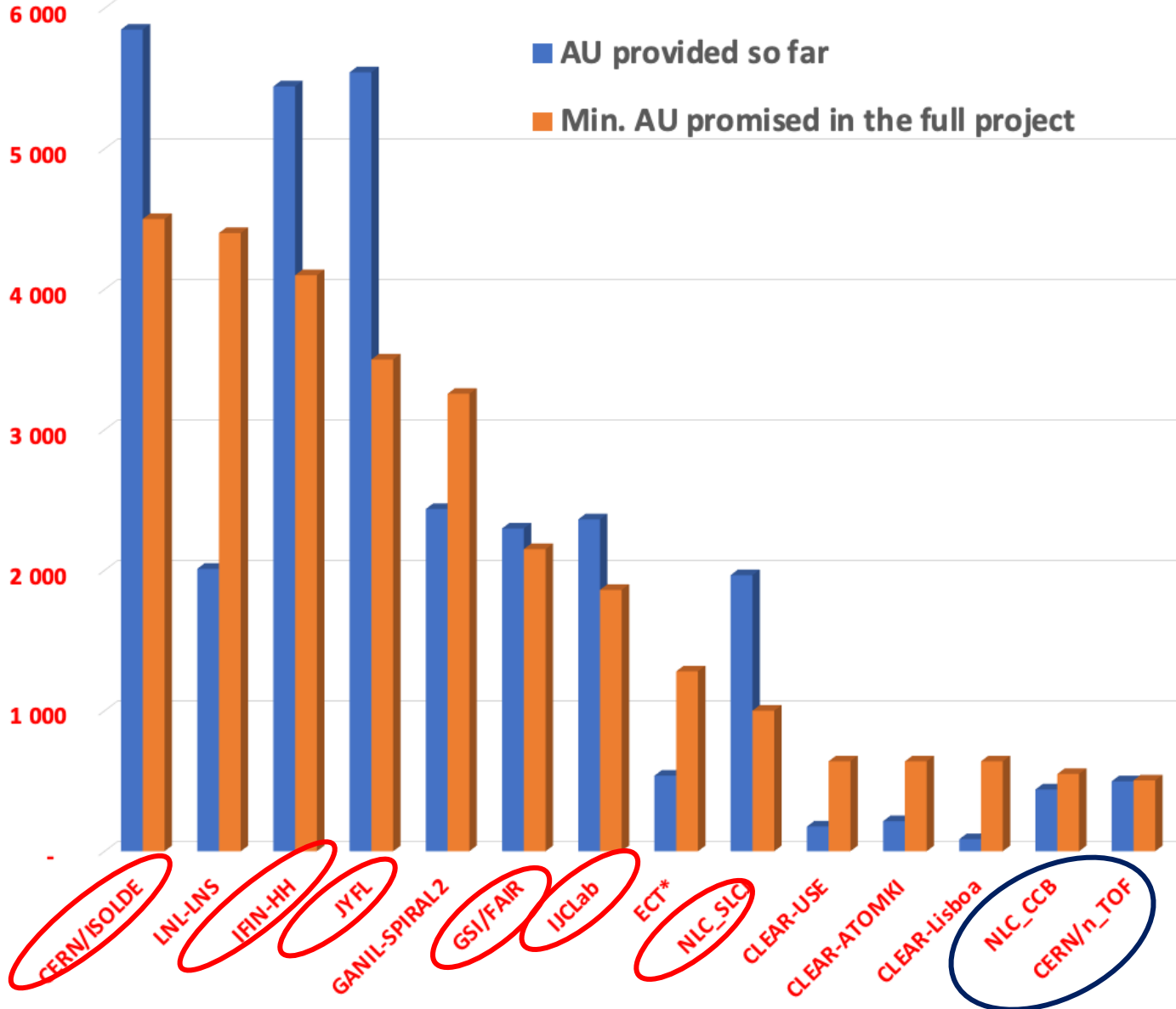
# WP2 Service improvements

- Streamlined and remote access - coord. Paweł Napiorkowski (Warsaw), Helena Albers (GSI)
- Targets - coord. Manuela Cavallarro (LNS)
- FLASH - coord. Marco Durante (GSI)
- ERIBS - coord. Hannu Koivisto (JYFL)
- INTRANS - coord. Araceli Lopes\_Martens (IJCLab Orsay)



# **Some statistics from 2 years of EURO-LABS**

## WP2 TA facilities ACCESS UNITS

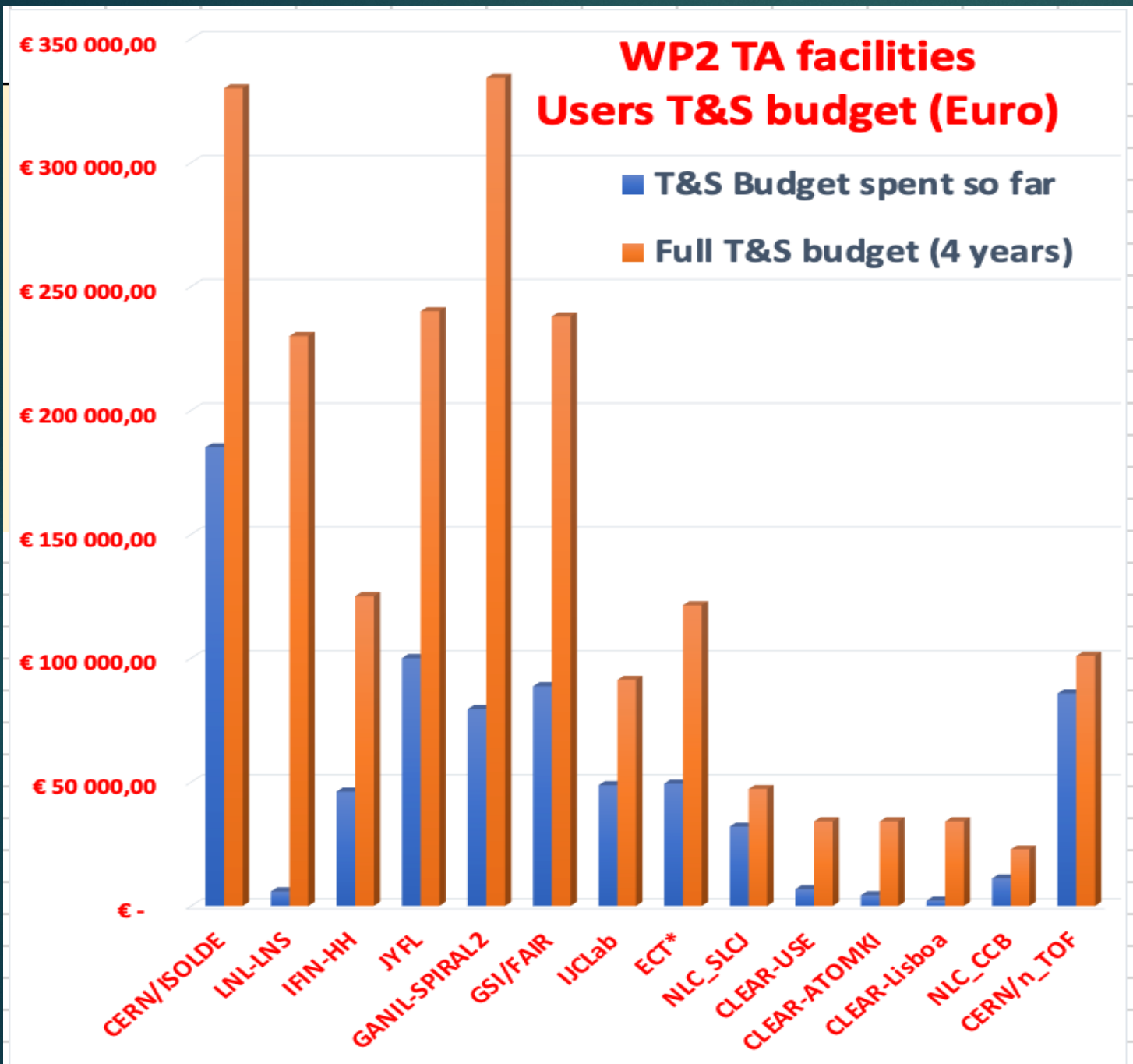


6 facilities already exceeded the whole project AUs

2 facilities are close to the 100% AUs

**Nuclear Physics  
TA facilities are in  
high demand**

**How to proceed  
in next 2 years?**



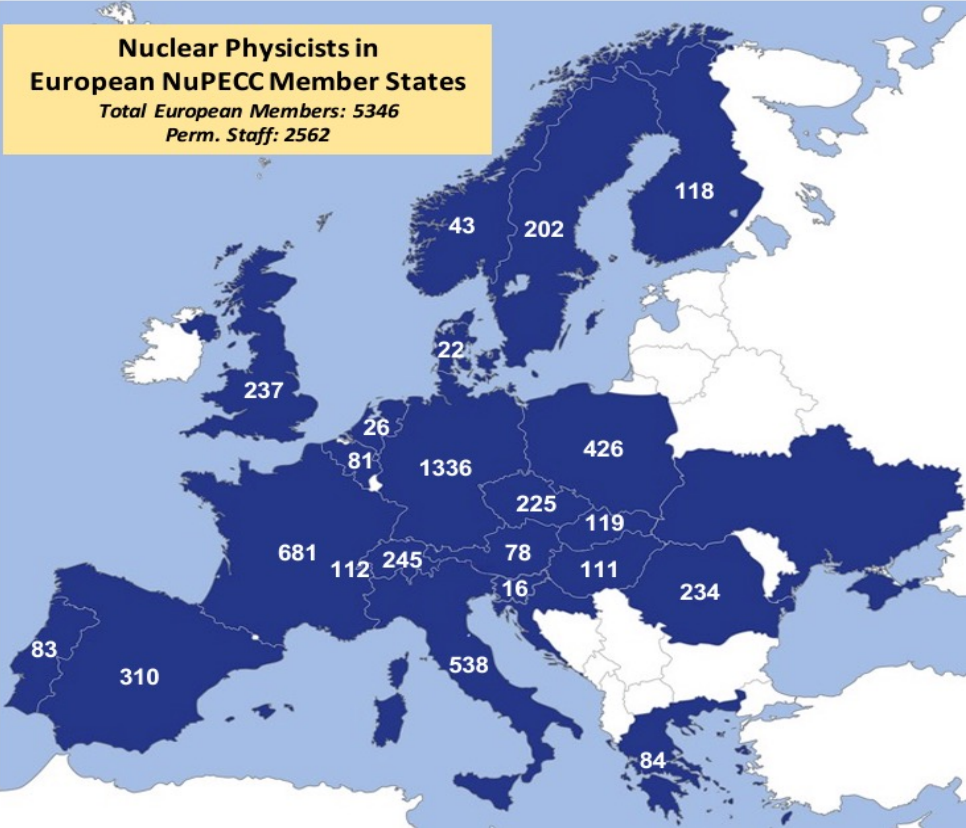
**In general good spending of the T&S budget**

**2 facilities (SLCJ, n-TOF) close to 100%**

**Some issues in LNL-LNS and CLEAR (already the measures how to solve problems were taken)**

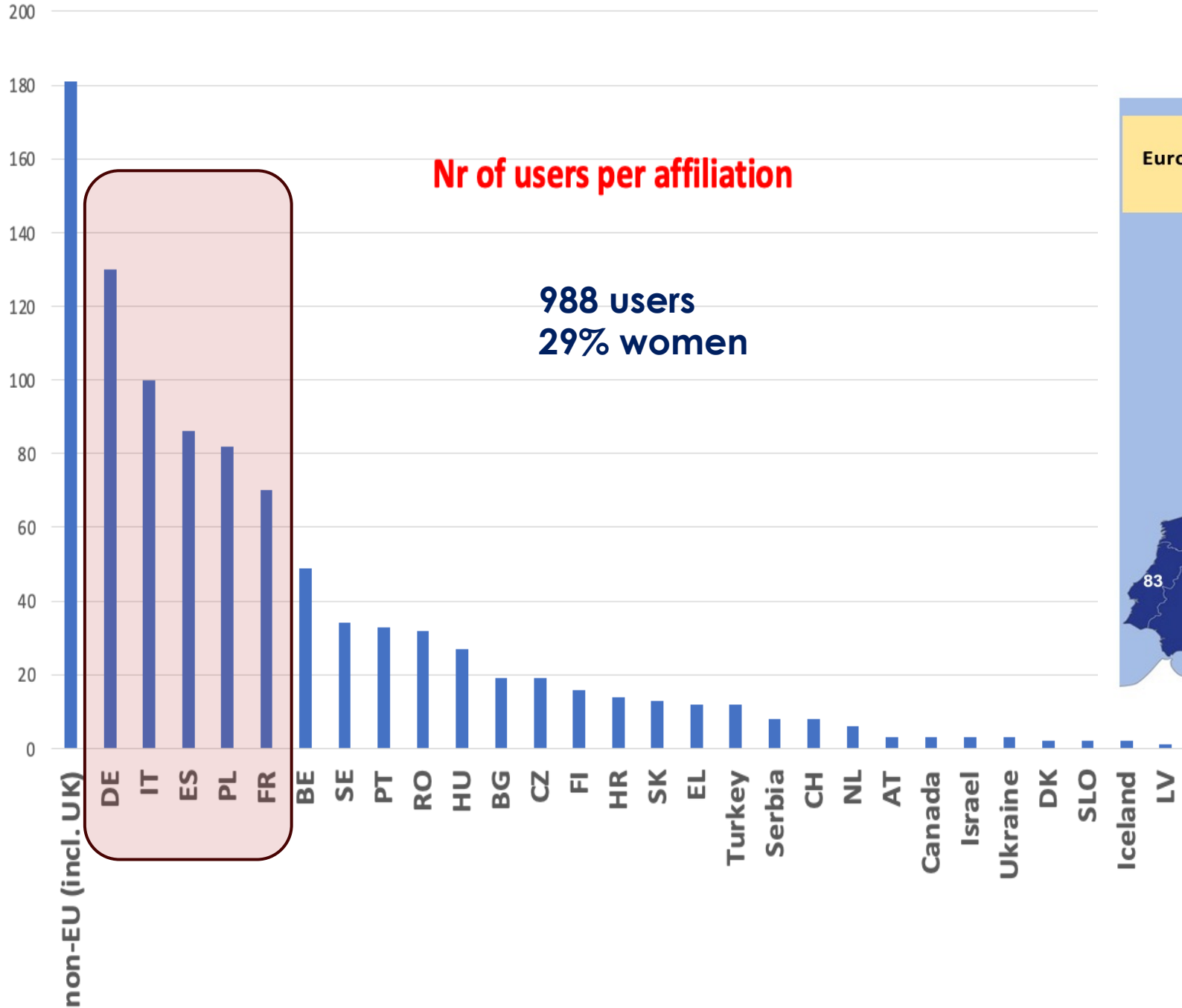


# Nuclear Physics Workforce in Europe



**Nr of users per affiliation**

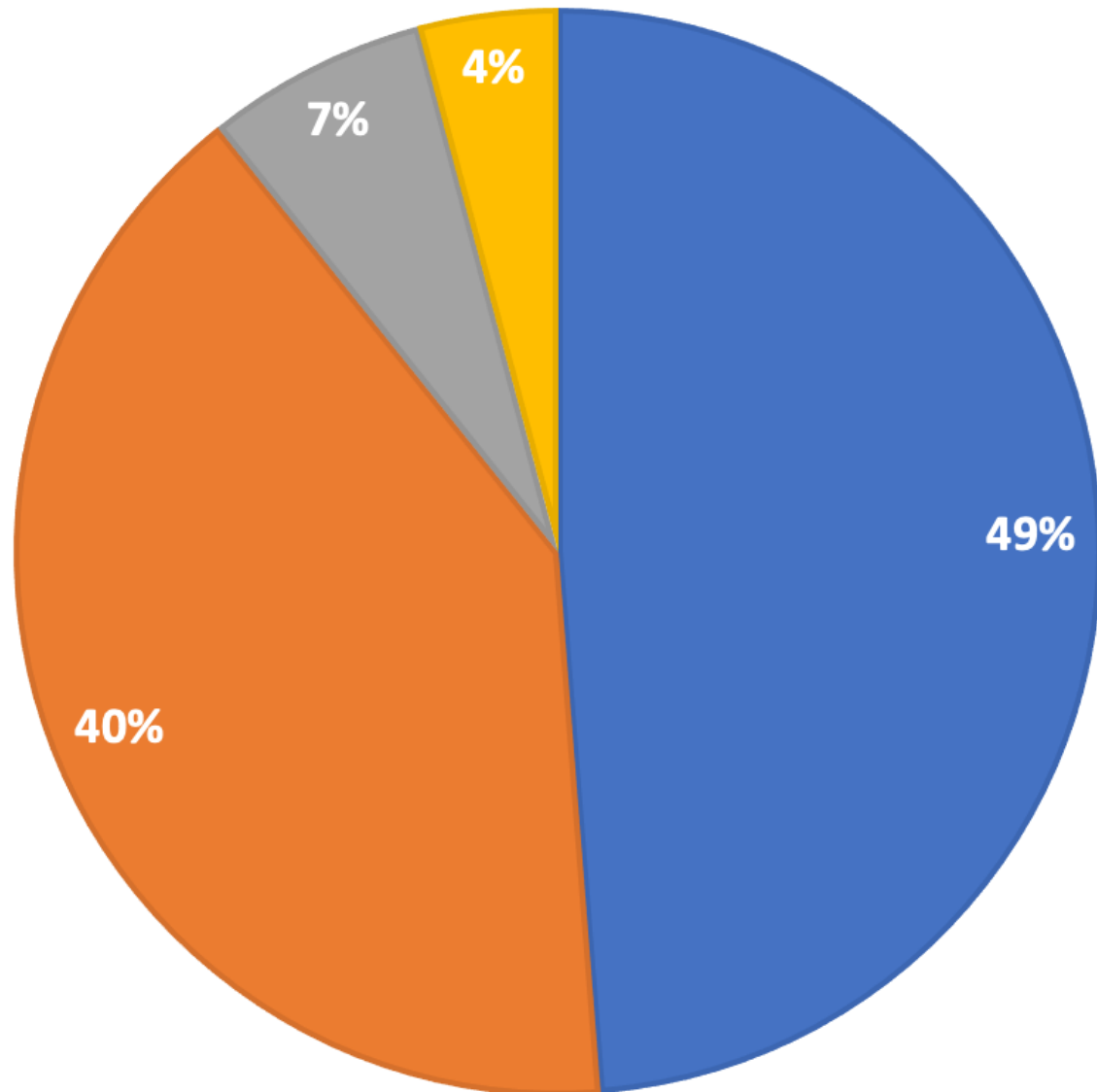
**988 users  
29% women**



*cf. Marek Lewitowicz talk*

## TA PROJECTS (242 IN TOTAL)

■ Stable beams ■ RI beams ■ Neutron beams ■ Theory services (ECT\*)



# Theo4Exp VA Infrastructure

<https://institucional.us.es/theo4exp>

## Services available

### ▶ MeanField4Exp (Krakow/Strasbourg)

- ▶ Single Particle Energies
- ▶ Nuclear Energy Diagrams
- ▶ Macroscopic-Microscopic energy
- ▶ Shape Evolution with Spin
- ▶ 3D Cranking
- ▶ 3D Nuclear Surfaces

### ▶ Reaction4Exp (Sevilla)

- ▶ Coulomb breakup using EPM
- ▶ Elastic scattering using OM and semiclassic.
- ▶ Inelastic scattering using CC formalism

### ▶ Structure4Exp (Milano)

- ▶ Self-consistent HF plus RPA
- ▶ HF+BCS+RPA
- ▶ Shell Model with KSHELL

Open to users from past 1<sup>st</sup> February 2024

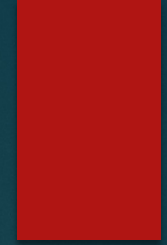
VA facilities	AUs provided (9 months)	Estimated AUs (whole project)	%	Nr of users (9 months)	Estimated Nr of users (whole project)	%
MeanField4Exp	225	360	63%	24	40	60%
Reaction4Exp	117	400	29%	41	80	51%
Structure4Exp	65	160	41%	12	20	60%
<b>Total</b>	<b>407</b>	<b>920</b>	<b>44%</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>140</b>	<b>55%</b>

- 11 services (projects) available already
- More services in preparation – soon available
- Advertising the THEO4EXP VA – „Hands-on” workshop in CERN July 7-9 , 2025

# Milestones (Year 1 and 2)

MS13	Production of a report to define the state of the art in the field (targets for NP) and collect the requests from the community	WP2	2.5	3	<b>12 Dec 2022</b>	<b>Achieved</b>	<a href="#">MS13 Report</a>
MS2	Preparation of calls for submission of proposals to stable beam access facilities completed	WP2	2.1	6	<b>28 Feb 2023</b>	<b>Achieved</b>	<a href="#">MS2 Report</a>
MS4	Preparation of the call for submission of projects to access each of the RIs providing radioactive-ion beams	WP2	2.2	6	<b>28 Feb 2023</b>	<b>Achieved</b>	<a href="#">MS4 Report</a>
MS6	Preparation of the call for submission of projects to access each of the RIs providing neutron beams	WP2	2.3	6	<b>28 Feb 2023</b>	<b>Achieved</b>	<a href="#">MS6 Report</a>
MS15	Conceptual plan for online monitoring of long-term operation beam stability	WP2	2.5	12	<b>01 Aug 2023</b>	<b>Achieved</b>	<a href="#">MS15 Report</a>
MS8	Calls for proposals to be hosted at ECT*	WP2	2.4	18	<b>22 Jan 2024</b>	<b>Achieved</b>	<a href="#">MS8 Report</a>
MS10	Contracted personnel for Theo4Exp VA in place and first codes available for users in the virtual facility	WP2	2.4	18	<b>29 Feb 2024</b>	<b>Achieved</b>	<a href="#">MS10 Report</a>
MS12	Completed database containing selected features of remote-access toolkit	WP2	2.5	18	<b>29 Feb 2024</b>	<b>Achieved</b>	<a href="#">Survey on Remote Access (WP2.5). MS12 Report</a>
MS14	Reports on FLASH detectors for different facilities	WP2	2.5	18	<b>22 Feb 2024</b>	<b>Achieved</b>	<a href="#">MS14 Report</a>

# Planned milestones (Year3 and 4)



MS16	Organisation of hands-on workshops & training schools	WP2	2.5	30	28 Feb 2025		
MS9	EURO-LABS-related workshops carried out at ECT*	WP2	2.4	42	28 Feb 2026		
MS11	All codes installed at Theo4Exp VA and interoperability among different nodes established	WP2	2.4	42	28 Feb 2026		
MS3	All provision of access offered completed	WP2	2.1	46	30 Jun 2026		
MS5	a) Completion of all the experiments proposed	WP2	2.2	46	30 Jun 2026		
MS7	b) Completion of all the experiments proposed	WP2	2.3	46	30 Jun 2026		

# Planned deliverables (Year3 and 4)

D5.2	services improvement report	WP5	5.2	3e	31 Aug 2025		Report
D2.1	Report on Access to Stable Beam Facilities	WP2	2.1	46	30 Jun 2026		Report
D2.2	Report on Access to Radioactive-ion Beam Facilities	WP2	2.2	46	30 Jun 2026		Report
D2.3	Report on the research activities and the main results obtained in each of the RI providing neutron beams	WP2	2.3	46	30 Jun 2026		Report
D2.4	Report on access to the Theory for Experiments facilities	WP2	2.4	46	30 Jun 2026		Report



# **Flash overview of TA/VA facilities and service improvement tasks**

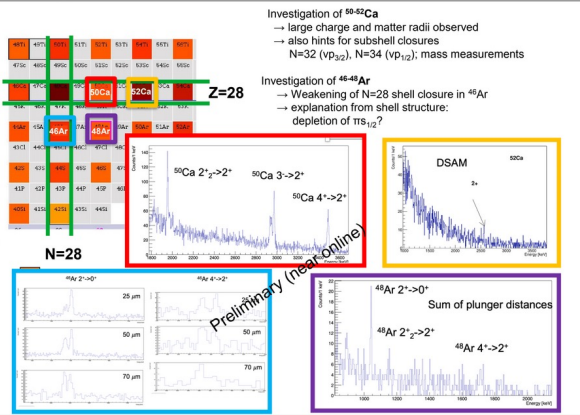
# INFN LNL-LNS

**LNL: TANDEM-PIAVE-ALPI stable beams provided, mainly to the PRISMA-AGATA setup.**

**2000 h stable beams delivered** to EUROLABS users since the beginning of the project;  
**~1150 in the last 12 months**

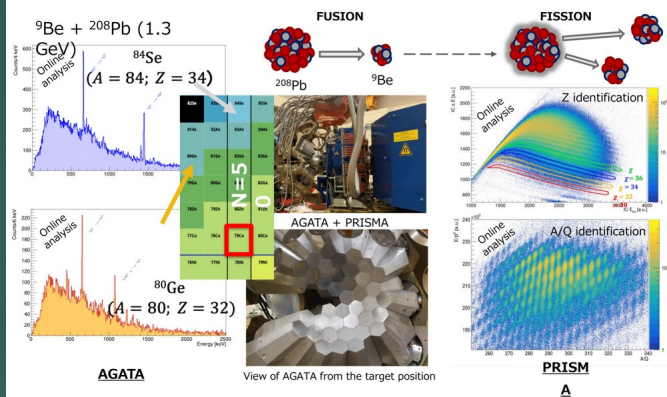
## Shell evolution around $^{48}\text{Ca}$

$^{48}\text{Ca}$  @ 520 MeV onto  $^{238}\text{U}$



## Fusion-fission for $N=50$ studies

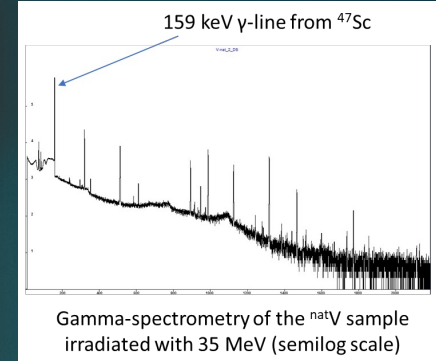
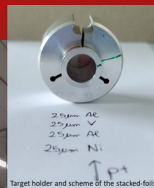
Analysed by: F. Angelini



## Shell evolution around $^{48}\text{Ca}$

$^{48}\text{Ca}$  @ 520 MeV onto  $^{238}\text{U}$

See G. Andreatta's talk



**May 2024: SPES cyclotron operation. Commissioning of the second beamline using activation benchmarks.**

2-years outlook

2024: TANDEM stable beams ~2500hr  
 2025: TANDEM stable beams + ALPI U beams  
**Delivery of first SPES beams (40 keV)**

**LNS: The facility underwent a major upgrade, no beam has been available for EUROLABS so far.**



TANDEM accelerator.  
 Beam commissioning around June 2025.  
 Bam for the users end of 2025 or early 2026.

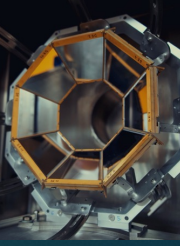
SUPERCONDUCTING CYCLOTRON.  
 Beam commissioning around June 2026.  
 Bam for the users early 2027.



# GANIL – Stable/RI beams from low to high energy, from neutron to $^{238}\text{U}$

Civil construction of DESIR has started  
Op. : ~2027-2028

Fission program at VAMOS++ and PISTA with the new ( $^{232}\text{Th}$ ) beam



**LISE – Frag. Separator**  
MUGAST/EXOGAM/ZDD

Transfer reactions (d,p), (p,d), (d,t), (d,3He), (p,3He)

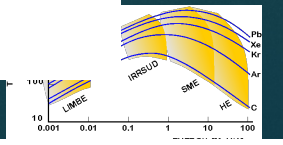
Impact of neutron excess on near-barrier fusion in  $^{19,20}\text{O} + ^{12}\text{C}$  (R. De Souza et al, Performed in June 2023, published in 2024 in PRC)

Li-Alpha» - Measurement of  $^8\text{Li}(\alpha, n)^{11}\text{B}$  cross section with ACTAR Pellegriti Maria Grazia – performed in 2024  
**NEW LEB-Line G21**

- Interdisciplinary research program at the cyclotron (~15%)
- Industrial application (~15%)

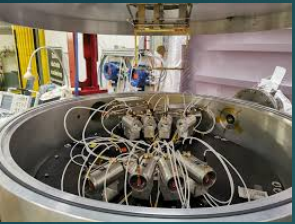
**CSS complex (C→U)**

**CYREN : CYCLOTRON RENOVATION PROJECT**  
PREPARE THE CYCLOTRON FOR THE NEXT 2 DECADES



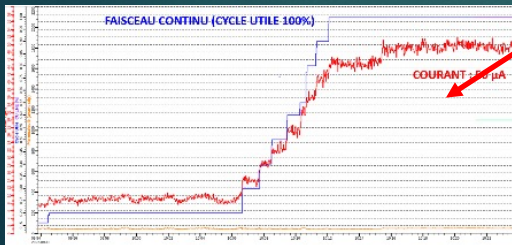
**SPIRAL1**

2 dedicated tests in 2024  
 $^{58}\text{Ni}$  primary beam with a focus on  $^{56}\text{Ni}$  and Co isotopes  
 $^{129}\text{Xe}$  primary beam – exploratory test  
→ Observation of massive MNT channel (+1 proton in Cs isotopes)



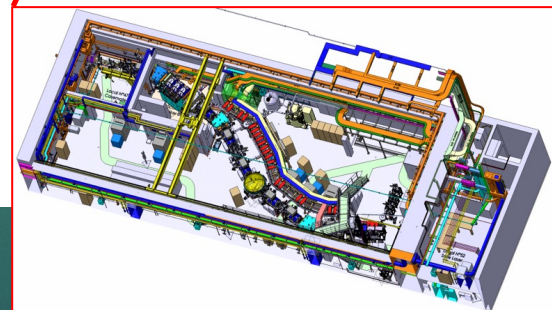
**MEDLEY**  
n-induced reactions

**NEWGAIN**  
NEW GANIL INJECTOR  
First beam 2028

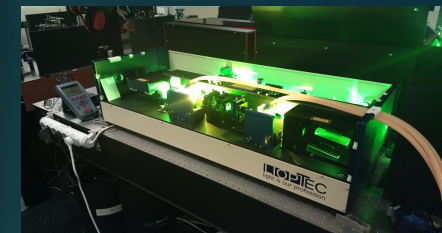
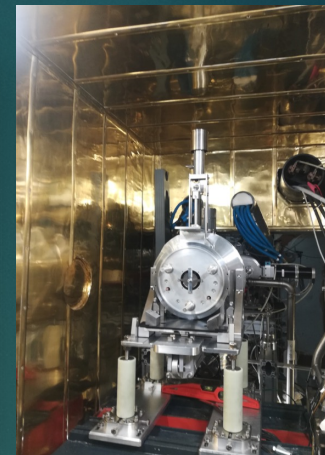


November 2022 :  $^{40}\text{Ar}^{14+}$   
80μA, 7 MeV/nucleon

**Commissioning of the Super Separator Spectrometer (S3) starting in 2024**







## High energy **Stable Beams**

- 15 MV tandem accelerator
- H,  $^3\text{He}$ ,  $^4\text{He}$ , ...,  $^{14}\text{C}$ , ... up to  $^{127}\text{I}$
- Pulsed beams: 100 ns - 100  $\mu\text{s}$  period. 1-2 ns width
- Rare beams ( $^3\text{He}$ ,  $^{14}\text{C}$ ,  $^{24}\text{Mg}$ ,  $^{40}\text{Ca}$ )

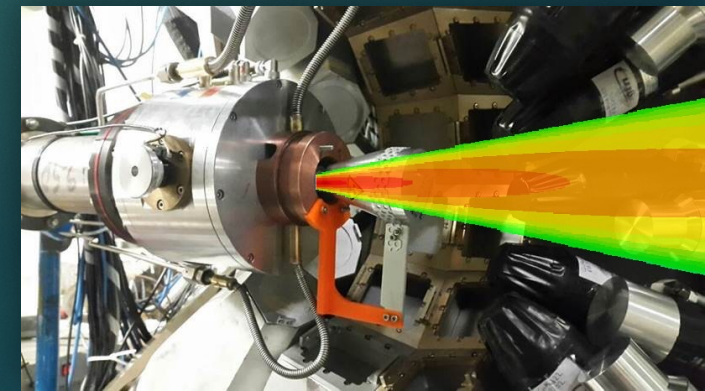
## Low energy **Radioactive beams**

- Electron linear accelerator 50 MeV & 10  $\mu\text{A}$  + Ucx target ( $\sim 70$  g)
- Isotope Separation Online (ISOL) photofission of  $^{238}\text{U}$  ( $\sim 10^{11}$  f/s)
- RIALTO : Laser ion source  $\rightarrow$  Z selection
- Dipole magnet PARRNe  $\rightarrow$  Mass separation ( $M/\Delta M = 1500$ )



## Naturally directional **Neutron Beams**

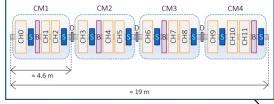
- **LICORNE** neutron converter (hydrogen gas target)
- Up to 800 nA  $^7\text{Li}$  primary beam:  $p(^7\text{Li},n)$  reaction
- Up to  $10^8$  neutrons/second in 1 steradian



# GSI-FAIR: stable and radioactive beams

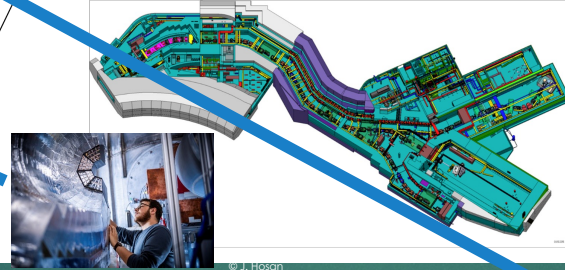


**Superheavy elements**  
SHIP, SHIPTRAP, TASCA  
Under construction: HELIAC



**Radioactive beams**  
Major instruments: FRS, ESR, CRYRING  
**Phase-0:** FAIR precursor experiments  
(R<sup>3</sup>B, HISPEC/DESPEC, EXL, ILIMA, Super-FRS EC)

**NUSTAR with Super-FRS at FAIR**  
In preparation: Early Science, First Science



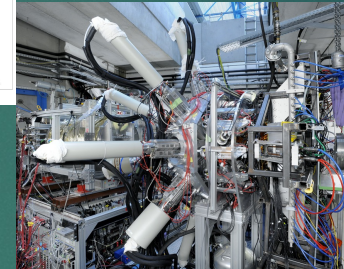
**Stable beams**  
MAT(erial research and modification)  
BIO(physics, imaging, biology)

Beams: H...U, parallel operation of different „virtual accelerators“  
Energies: keV/u...MeV/u...GeV/u, stopped secondary beams, incl. SHE  
Fusion, fragmentation, fission  
In-flight separation (vacuum and gas-filled separators)  
Dressed and highly-charged resp. bare ions up to uranium  
Storage-cooler rings

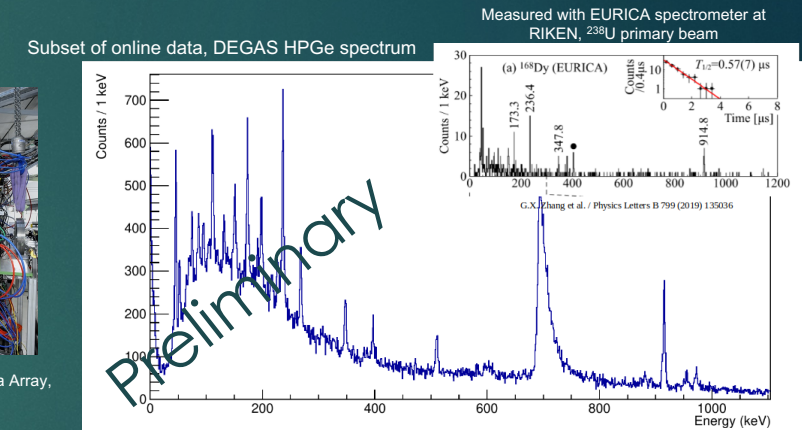
Experiment highlight  
G-22-00091/118: R3B commissioning and Probing nucleon-nucleon correlations in atomic nuclei via (p,pd) QFS reaction (talk by M. Whitehead, York)

Experiment highlight G-22-00100:  
Structure of neutron-rich, rare-earth nuclei far from stability (H. M. Albers, GSI)

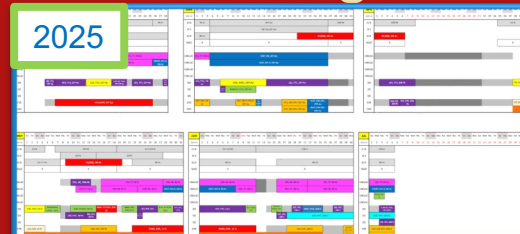
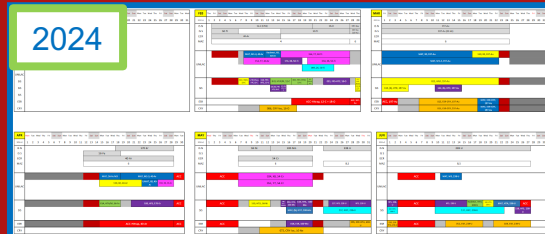
- Rare-earth nuclei mid-way between Z=50,82 and N=82,126 are highly collective
- <sup>170</sup>Dy (N=104), doubly-midshell
- Smooth decrease of 2<sup>+</sup>-energies towards N=104 not observed
- ‘Rare-Earth’ peak of r-process abundances influenced by structure of deformed neutron-rich, rare-earth isotopes



DESPEC Hybrid DEGA + FATIMA Gamma Array, Photo courtesy G. Otto



## GSI-FAIR beam-time schedule during Euro-Labs and USP 2023/24



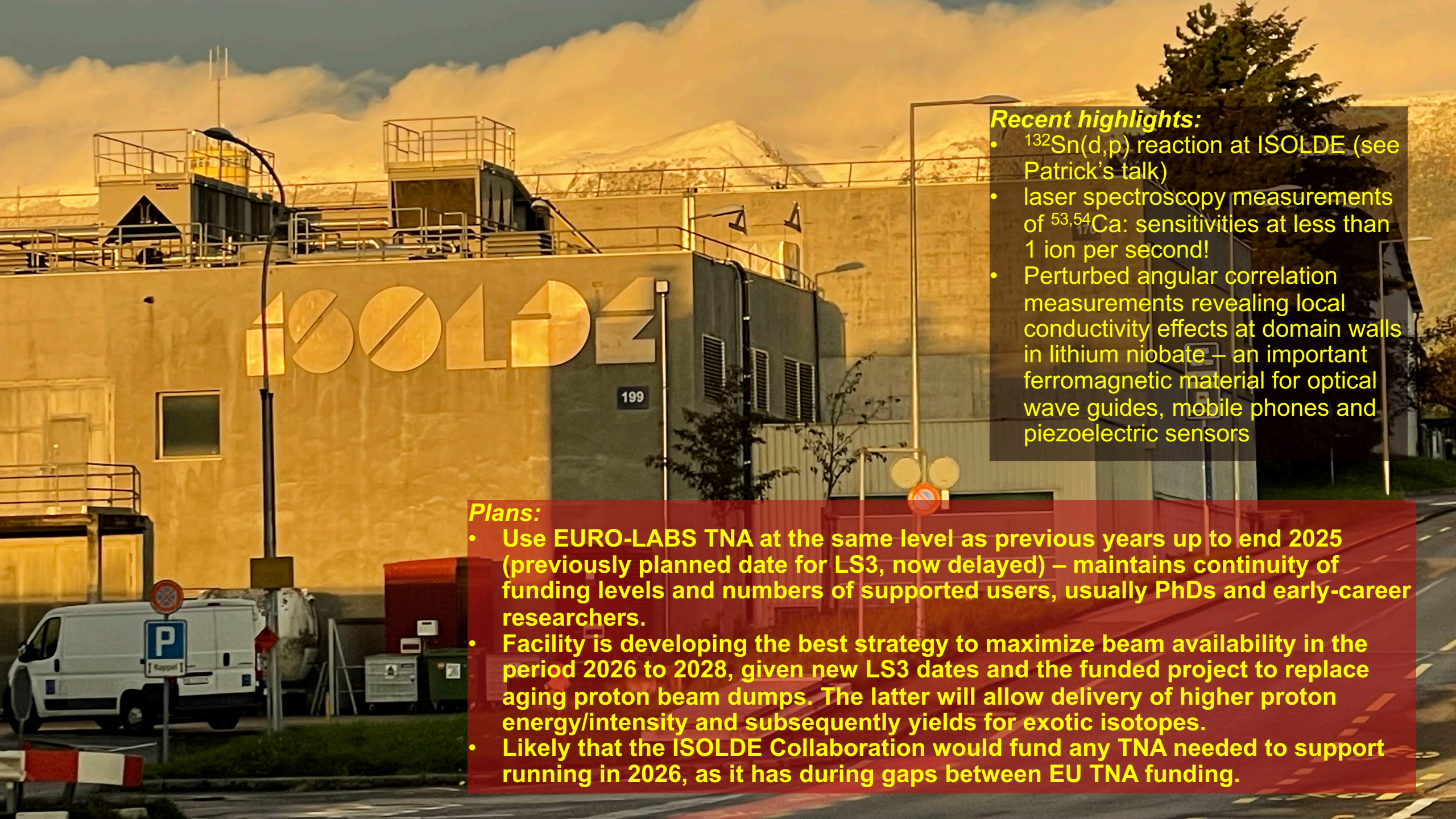
2026

- Beamtime planned in autumn 2026 (after end of EURO-LABS project)
- Next G-PAC meeting: early in 2025

**31 user projects approved:**

- 14 stable-beam projects
- 17 radioactive-beam projects

**37% of available budget disbursed**  
**92% of available budget allocated**



### **Recent highlights:**

- $^{132}\text{Sn}(d,p)$  reaction at ISOLDE (see Patrick's talk)
- laser spectroscopy measurements of  $^{53,54}\text{Ca}$ : sensitivities at less than 1 ion per second!
- Perturbed angular correlation measurements revealing local conductivity effects at domain walls in lithium niobate – an important ferromagnetic material for optical wave guides, mobile phones and piezoelectric sensors

### **Plans:**

- Use EURO-LABS TNA at the same level as previous years up to end 2025 (previously planned date for LS3, now delayed) – maintains continuity of funding levels and numbers of supported users, usually PhDs and early-career researchers.
- Facility is developing the best strategy to maximize beam availability in the period 2026 to 2028, given new LS3 dates and the funded project to replace aging proton beam dumps. The latter will allow delivery of higher proton energy/intensity and subsequently yields for exotic isotopes.
- Likely that the ISOLDE Collaboration would fund any TNA needed to support running in 2026, as it has during gaps between EU TNA funding.

# CERN n\_TOF (neutron time-of-flight) facility

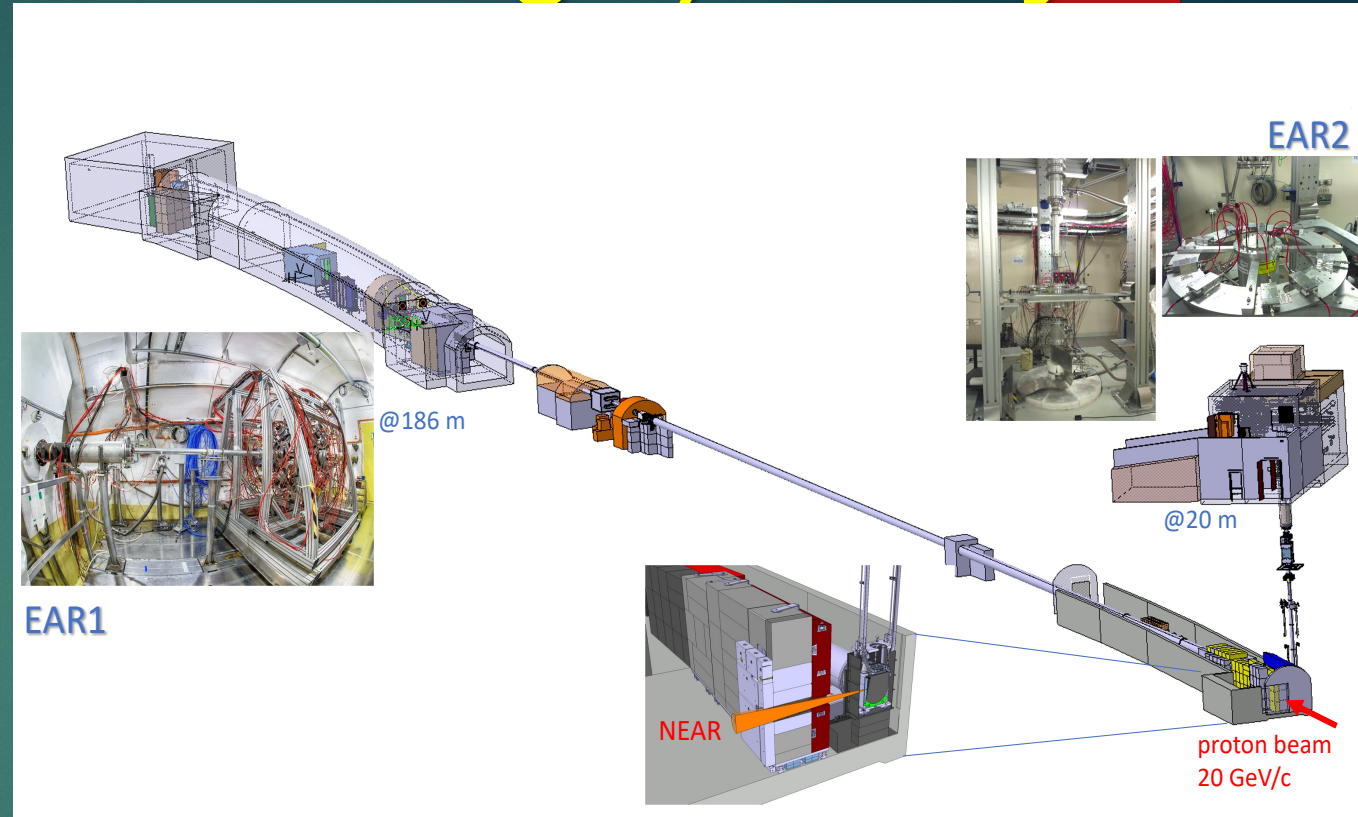
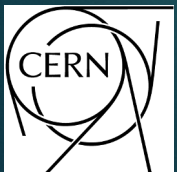
- 3 beam lines
- 3 experimental areas (2 RP controlled work sectors)
- Up-to-date experimental equipment
- Fully embedded in the CERN research infrastructure
- 20+ years operation experience

## 2024 experiments:

- $^{40}\text{K}(n,\alpha)$  and  $^{40}\text{K}(n,p)$
- $\text{Ce}(n,f)$
- $^{24}\text{Mg}(n,n')$
- $^{40}\text{Ar}(n,\gamma)$ ,  $^{65}\text{Cu}(n,\gamma)$ ,  $^{238}\text{U}(n,\gamma)$ ,  $^{28,29}\text{Si}(n,\gamma)$ ,  $^{88}\text{Zr}(n,\gamma)$ ,  $^{166,167}\text{Er}(n,\gamma)$ ,  $^{146}\text{Nd}(n,\gamma)$ ,  $^{209}\text{Bi}(n,\gamma)$

## Status

140 researchers  
40 research institutions/teams  
20 PhD students/year  
involved in 4 EU-funded projects (SANDA, ARIEL, EURO-LABS, APRENDE)

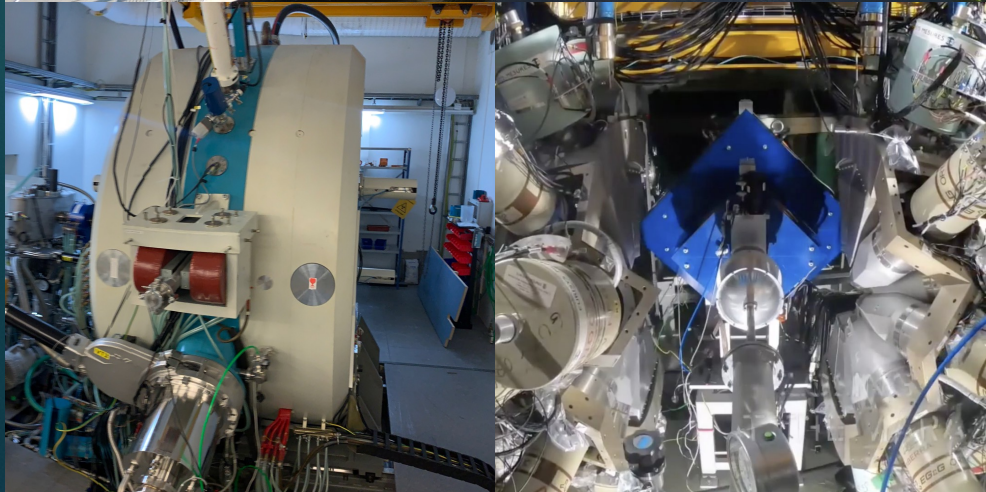


## Optimistic perspectives for the future

Experimental plan formulated till LS3 (2027-2028)  
Running plans for post-LS3 presented  
Perspectives for activities at a new target facility (BDF) on the CERN-SPS



# JYU / JYFL-ACCLAB



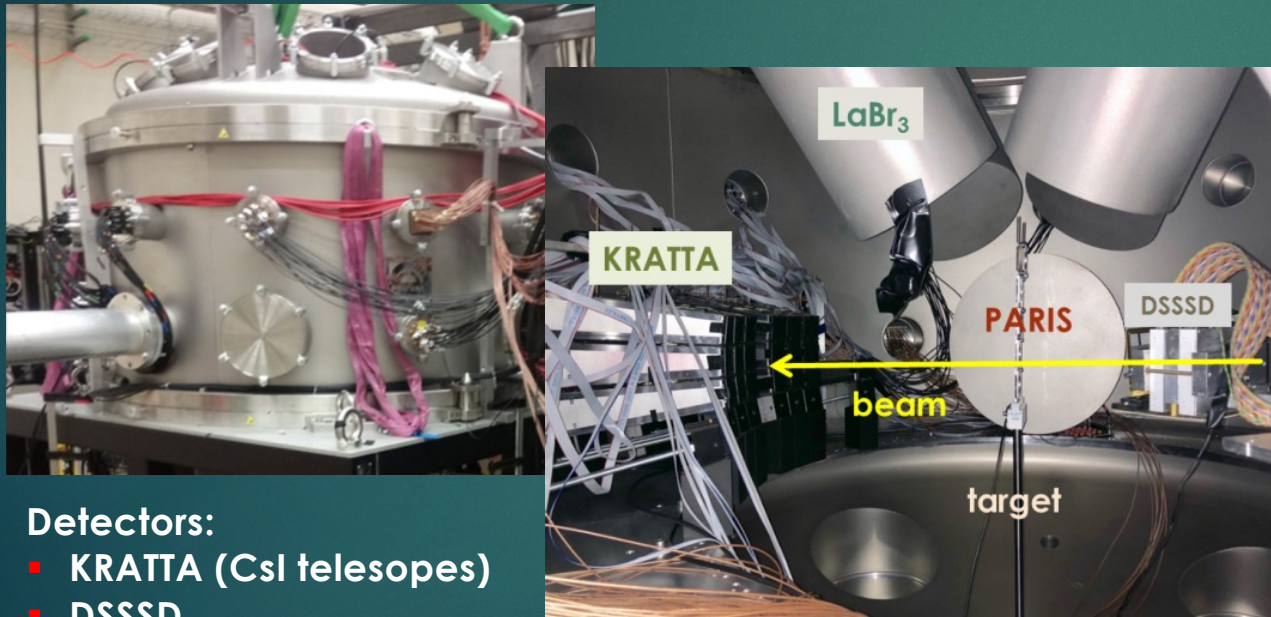
- ▶ Over 5500 hours / 27 projects / 128 visits supported
- ▶ Current rate of experiments / support can continue through project
- ▶ Highlights: Gamma-ray spectroscopy campaigns at RITU/MARA
- ▶ Highlights: Mass measurements of Fission Isomers and  $N=Z$  nuclei
- ▶ **Future: hope to have MCC30 running in 2025/2026 – more beam time available**
- ▶ **Future: progress being made on MARA-LEB (now fully funded)**
- ▶ **Future: major reconstruction of Target Hall in 2025 to allow siting of 3MV Tandem Platform**
- ▶ **Future: Development of neutron beams at 3MV platform**



# NLC\_CCB Kraków

Medical proton therapy facility, Beam: protons, E=70-230 MeV

- ❑ Nuclear physics experiments:
  - Gamma decay from high-lying states and giant resonances excited via  $(p,p'\gamma)$
  - Dynamics of few-nucleon systems
  - Study of high-lying single-particle states
  - Investigation of the mechanism of proton-induced fission and spallation
- ❑ In-beam testing of detectors



### Detectors:

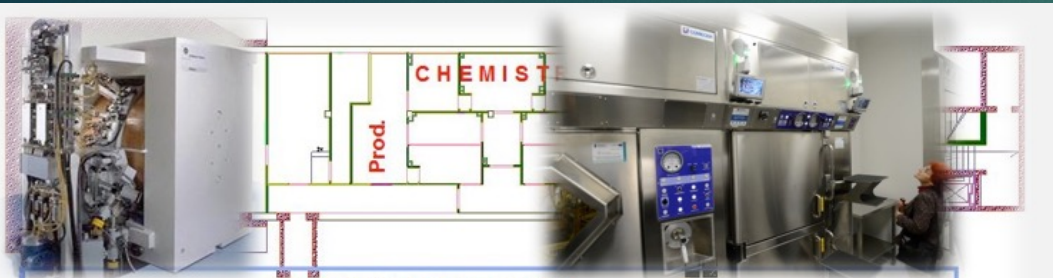
- KRATTA (CsI telesopes)
- DSSSD
- PARIS (phoswiches  $\text{LaBr}_3 + \text{NaI}$  or  $\text{CeBr}_3 + \text{NaI}$ )
- 4 large volume  $\text{LaBr}_3$
- BINA charged particle array



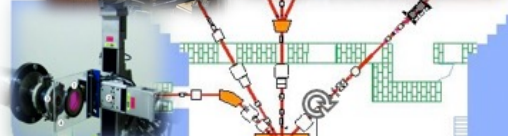
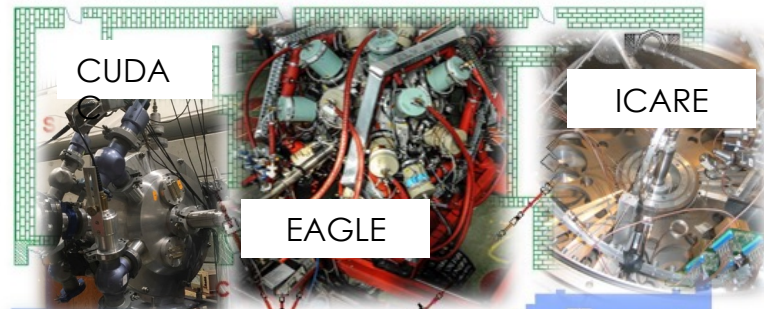
**5 proposals accepted by IAC for 1.9.23-31.8.24  
(4 eligible for EURO-LABS)**  
**7 proposals accepted by IAC for 1.9.24-31.8.25  
(5 eligible for EURO-LABS)**  
**Plans to upgrade detectors and electronics**

from 1.09.2022 to 31.08.2024  
 440 AU provided (80%)  
 4 experiments supported  
 18 users supported (49%)

GE PetTrace, beams: proton (16.5 MeV) and deuteron (8 MeV)



EXPERIMENTAL HALL



IRRADIATION



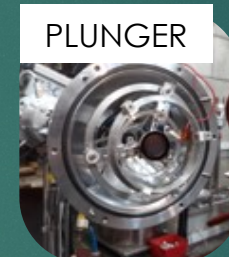
U-200P Cyclotron  
 $^4\text{He} \div ^{40}\text{Ar}, 2 \div 10 \text{ MeV/A}$

### 1. Gamma-ray spectroscopy studies with EAGLE + ancillary devices

- **EAGLE** - 15 HPGe in ACS - total photopeak efficiency of the array is 1.4%
- **NEDA** - 52 neutron detectors placed in the EAGLE frame. 1n det. eff. = 30%, 2n = ~6%.
- **DIAMANT** - a  $4\pi$  light charged particle detector array: 54 CsI(Tl) scintillators, 3 mm thick, solid angle of 95% of  $4\pi$ . Detection eff.: for protons ~60% and for alpha particles ~40%.
- **SILCA** - a new particle array under development at HIL for the Coulomb excitation studies - based on a DSSD detector to register back-scattered projectiles (~124-157° LAB)
- **ULESE** - a conversion-electron spectrometer for the in-beam measurements - efficiency up to 12% at the energy of 300 keV, good energy resolution < 1% at 1 MeV, and good suppression of delta electrons, positrons, and photons emitted from the target
- **Plunger**



NEDA



PLUNGER



DIAMANT



SILCA

### 2. Two setups at HIL Warsaw are used for the barrier distributions measurements, reaction mechanism studies and the novel detectors' tests:

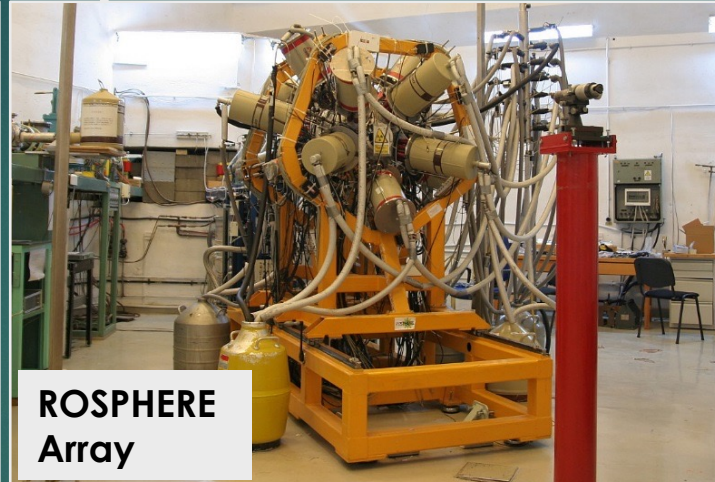
- **CUDAC** - 30 PIN diodes (1cm x 1cm) at the backward angles (125°, 135°, 145°) and 4 PIN diodes the forward angles of 35°
- **ICARE** - 1m diameter reaction chamber - can accommodate various detectors (Si, E-ΔE gas and semiconductor telescopes and others). An array of 19 silicon detectors combined with a MCP detector placed at the backward angle of 142 degrees allow the identification in mass by exploiting the different energy and Time of Flight (ToF) of the products; an E-ΔE telescope, placed at the same angle, provides their charge identification

**Perspective upgrades:**  
**Recoil Filter Detector, Fast timing array, Wien filter**

# IFIN-HH, Romania: Tandem accelerators, HPLS (ELI-NP)



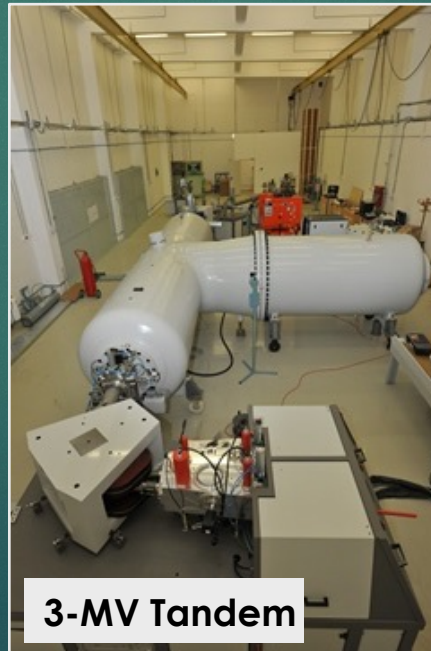
9-MV Tandem



ROSPHERE  
Array



HPLS (ELI-NP)



3-MV Tandem

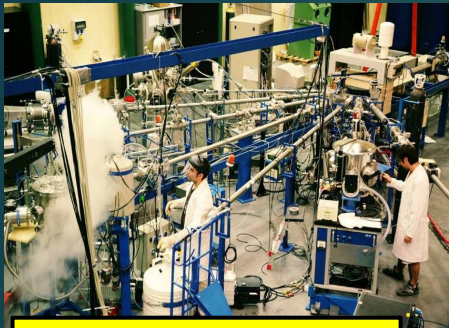
- ▶ Available infrastructure:
  - ▶ 9 MV – Nuclear structure/nuclear reaction experiments. Available beams: stable ions from p to Au. Two pulsing systems available (millisecond/nanosecond).
  - ▶ 3 MV – Nuclear astrophysics experiments, applications.
  - ▶ 1 MV – AMS
  - ▶ 2x10PW high power laser system HPLS (ELI-NP)
- ▶ The ROSPHERE array at the 9-MV Tandem: 25 HPGe and/or LaBr<sub>3</sub> detectors;  $\gamma$  spectroscopy, lifetime measurements using plunger and electronic methods, coincidences, particle detectors, etc.
- ▶ The 9-MV Tandem runs on the average 5500 h/year.
- ▶ Common PAC for the 3 tandems: 1-2 meetings/year

<https://www.nipne.ro>



# CLEAR: CNA-IST-ATOMKI

The National Center of Accelerators, CNA, Seville, Spain

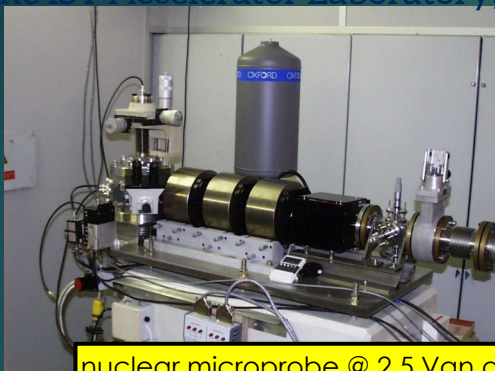


3 MV tandem with 7 beam lines



Accelerator mass Spectrometry

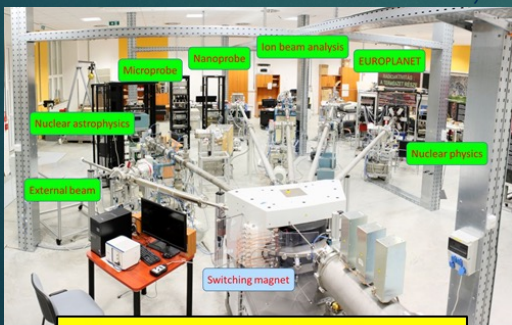
The IST Accelerator Laboratory, Lisbon, Portugal



nuclear microprobe @ 2.5 Van der Graaff accelerator and external beam



The Atomki Accelerator Center, Debrecen, Hungary



The Tandetron beamlines



Cyclotron vault

**CLEAR: Cluster of Low Energy Accelerators for Research is a consortium comprising:**

- **ATOMKI in Debrecen**
- **CNA in Seville**
- **IST in Lisbon**

Each facility offers 640 hours of Transnational Access to stable-ion and neutron beams, in total.

The consortium operates under a unified Program Advisory Committee and holds three proposal calls per year.

As of September 2024, 10 proposals have been successfully completed, meeting criteria such as scientific excellence, cross-disciplinary relevance, and training opportunities.

Many proposals came from first-time users, broadening the international reach and collaborations of the CLEAR facilities.

More information in the poster session

<https://institucional.us.es/clear/>

# ECT\*



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EUROPEAN CENTRE  
FOR THEORETICAL STUDIES  
IN NUCLEAR PHYSICS AND RELATED AREAS



A venue for the community to scrutinize new ideas and charter new directions in nuclear theory, experiment, and related areas, as well as to train the next generation

**BIRA VAN KOLCK, INCOMING  
DIRECTOR**

2024: 7 workshops supported by

Electric dipole moments, optical potentials, high-power lasers, hadron tomography, QCD phase diagram, QCD plasma, neutrino oscillations



**Highlight**



Doctoral Training Program  
*Nuclear Theory for Astrophysics*

15 July - 02 Aug 2024

Organizers:

- A. Arcones (Darmstadt)
- B. Giacomazzo (Milano-Bicocca)
- J. Piekarewicz (Florida State)

26 participants selected from 51 applicants

**2025: 33 workshop + 2 DTP proposals; selection in progress**

**Upcoming  
highlight**

**7-9 July 2025**

G. Colò, J. Dudek, M. Rodríguez-Gallardo,  
*Theory Service for the Low-Energy Nuclear  
Physics Community: a hands-on workshop*

**EURO-LABS Theo4Exp**

# Theo4EXP VA facility

## THEO4EXP

EURO-LABS Newsletter  
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### Theo4Exp: a theory service provided by EURO-LABS

Manuela Rodríguez-Gallardo, Gianluca Colò and Jerzy Dudek, on behalf of the Theo4Exp team

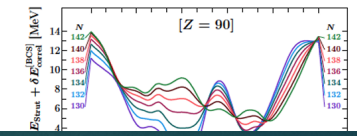
In the last few years, the nuclear scientific community has been moving towards open science: open access publications, accessibility to experimental data and codes, etc. In this context, the creation of user-friendly platforms, in which non-expert users can perform calculations using well-established theory codes, represents a significant and long-awaited advancement. The new virtual access facility **Theo4Exp**, created as part of the EURO-LABS, addresses this need, by providing a variety of easily accessible computer codes for low energy nuclear structure and reactions, to researchers worldwide. The use of these codes is made simple by the adoption of clear interfaces and the implementation of graphical tools. Results can be easily transmitted, exchanged and compared. It is expected that the new service will create a virtuous circle of increased collaboration between theorists and experimentalists, leading to innovative experiments and facilitating their interpretation.

EURO-LABS project, either by providing their institution credentials (if they belong to eduGAIN network) or their ORCID identification.

#### MeanField4Exp

The MeanField4Exp installation is based on the numerical applications [1-3] of the realistic phenomenological mean field approach, developed by J. Dudek and collaborators at the University of Strasbourg. The functioning of the MeanField4Exp service benefits from the integration of advanced methods of nuclear structure theory and quantum mechanics with advanced mathematical tools. These include inverse problem theory and Monte Carlo simulations for parameter optimization, group and group representation theories to handle symmetry issues, and graph theory for studying shape transitions, such as nuclear fission. The service provides access to advanced codes as well as to a comprehensive database containing pre-calculated results. The codes have been implemented by Irene Dedes and Abdelghafar Gaamouci at the Institute of Nuclear Physics (IFJ) of the Polish Academy of Sciences in Krakow.

EURO-LABS has funded and provided the appropriate framework and dedicated personnel to create this virtual access service. Open to users since February 1<sup>st</sup> 2024, Theo4Exp is composed of three installations: one for reaction calculations, Reaction4Exp, and two dedicated to structure calculations.



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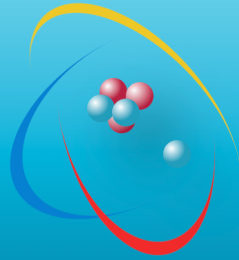
EURO-LABS

MEANFIELD4EXP

REACTION4EXP

STRUCTURE4EXP

RESEARCH TEAM

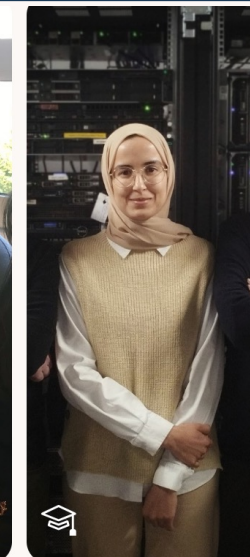
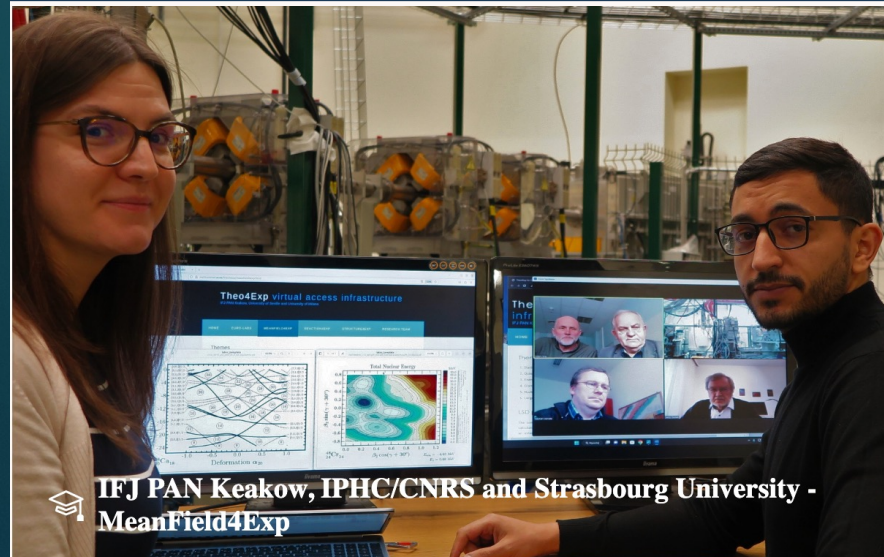


## A facility providing virtual access to nuclear theory tools

## THEO4EXP



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DI MILANO



IFJ PAN Keakow, IPHC/CNRS and Strasbourg University -  
MeanField4Exp

Further services in preparation

# SERVICE IMPROVEMENTS

Highlights from 2 service improvements tasks were presented yesterday:

**FLESH** by Warisara Charuchinda (GSI)

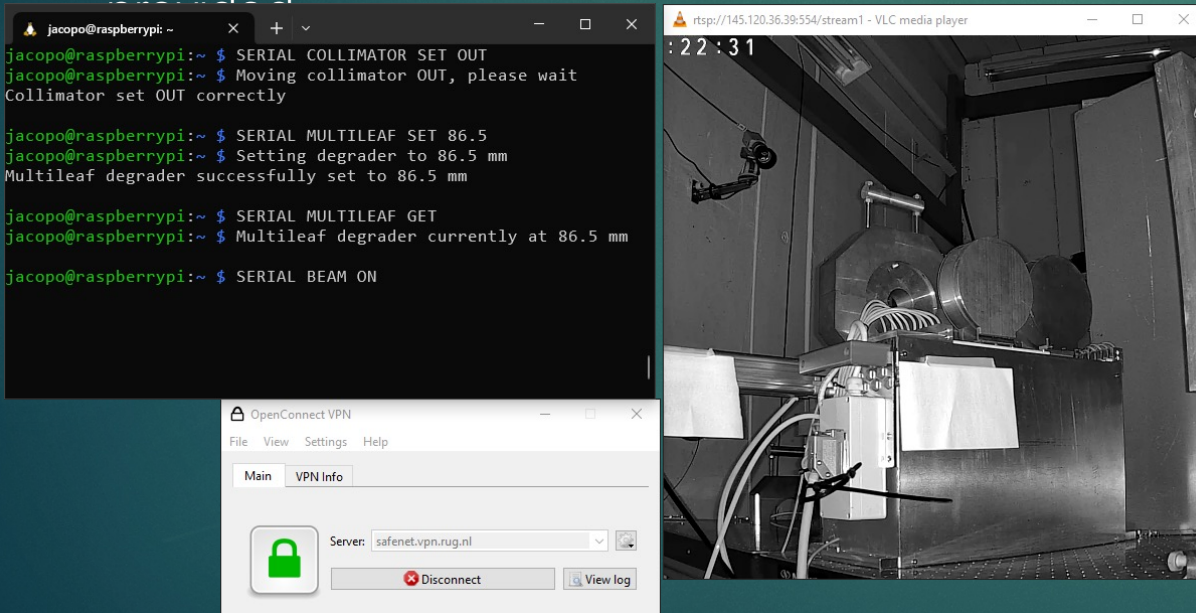
**ERIBS** by Paul Greenlees (JYFL)

# WP.2.5.C1 Streamlined and Remote Access

Collaborators: GSI, INFN Milano, UMCG, IFIN-HH, TU Dresden

## Remote irradiation control

- Provide access to the irradiation control system without compromising security
- Users are given access to a client device connected to eduroam, accessible via VPN (picture below)
- A serial connection (minimal attack surface) carries textual command to the irradiation control system
- Video feedback from the irradiation room is also



## Remote access toolkit

- Development of web-based database (fully-open access) containing descriptions and documentation of remote-access tools. The goal is to have:
  - i) comprehensive information about existing tools,
  - ii) example use cases,
  - iii) easily-accessible documentation and user manuals,
  - iv) contact information for experts in the respective topics.

- **Milestone M12 reached in 02.24** – completed database containing remote access toolkit
- Database is available via <https://eurolabs-remote.gsi.de/>
- So far, information from a sub-set of EURO-LABS facilities included
- **Input from other facilities needed!**
- **Workshop on remote-access tools planned** for 04.02.2025 at the Bormio Workshop on Modern Aspects

# WP 2.5.1 Streamlined access

## Interactive Web-page: *application forms.*

Example:  
Utilization of the "Participants Database" plugin to create an interactive form for:  
"HIL user registration form."

This plugin will also be used to create other forms that will facilitate various users' applications.

## Prototype of facility portrait for

*database and webpage of relevant information on the participating RI*

### Rejestracja użytkownika HIL/HIL user registration

Imię/Name*	<input type="text"/>
Nazwisko/Surname* (As in Passport, Latin alphabet)	<input type="text"/>
Numer telefonu/Phone number*	<input type="text"/>
E-MAIL*	<input type="text"/>
Płeć/Gender*	<input type="radio"/> Kobieta/Female <input type="radio"/> Mężczyzna/Male
Data urodzenia/Birth Date* Date format mm/dd/yyyy	<input type="text"/>
Obywatelstwo/Nationality*	<input type="text"/>
Rodzaj i numer dokumentu tożsamości/Passport/ID card series and number*	<input type="text"/>
Tytuł lub stopień naukowy/Academic title or degree*	<input type="text"/>
Instytucja macierzysta, adres/Home Institution's name, address*	<input type="text"/>
Cel współpracy/Reason for collaboration*	<input type="radio"/> Eksperyment/Experiment <input type="radio"/> Analiza danych/Data analysis <input type="radio"/> Spotkanie/Meeting <input type="radio"/> inny/other: <input type="text"/>

The screenshot shows the HIL website interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with links for E-MAIL, NLC, LOG-IN, and ELOG. Below this is a secondary navigation bar with links for Home Page, Contact, For visitors, EURO-LABS TNA, PPS Nuclear Physics Section, and BST24. A search bar is located on the right side of the top navigation bar. The main content area features a dropdown menu with the following items: News, About Laboratory, HIL Council, Staff and PhD Students, PAC, Beams, Reports and publications, Experiments and facilities, Laboratory Prize, and Useful links. Below the dropdown menu, the text "Heavy Ion Laboratory" is displayed, followed by a list of links: Details of the facility, List of available infrastructures and beams, Dates of call for proposals, deadlines and details of submission and dates meetings, Total amount of access units used and still available, Access procedures, Details of the TNA support and details of the application, and List of publications.

### Access procedures

Before arriving for an experiment, data analysis, or conference at HIL you must register as a HIL User. To do this no later than 1 week before arrival:

- ▶ Complete the registration form, which is available [here](#).
- ▶ When applying for access to radiation controlled areas, you must also attach a certificate enabling work with ionization radiation and pass a test of knowledge of radiation protection. Certificate, test and helpful resources are available [here](#).

### List of available infrastructures and beams

#### Beams

The list of ion beams extracted from the cyclotron K-90-160 in HIL is available [here](#).

#### Experimental facilities available at HIL:

- ▶ EAGLE HPGe detector array
- ▶ Neutron Detection Array (NEDA)
- ▶ DIAMANT proton and alpha charged particle detector
- ▶ ULESE – conversion-electron spectrometer for "in-beam" measurements
- ▶ SICA – particle detector array for Coulomb excitation studies
- ▶ ICARE charged particles detector system
- ▶ CUDAC compact scattering chamber with PIN diode detectors
- ▶ Station for material and biological irradiation
- ▶ Radiobiological research laboratory
- ▶ Internal beam targets irradiation station

### Dates of call for proposals, deadlines and details of submission and dates meetings

The deadline for submitting proposals and Letters of Intent: 12th of November 2024

PAC Meeting: 13th of December 2024

**Submission procedure:** To submit, please fill out the beam request and the proposal template forms. The maximum length of the proposal is 6 pages (excluding cover page, abstract and references). Please use the forms in one of the following formats.

Proposal template:

- ▶ LaTeX Format: [HIL\\_proposal-template\\_tex.zip](#)
- ▶ Microsoft Word: [HIL\\_Proposal-template.docx](#)

Beam request form:

- ▶ Microsoft Word: [beam\\_request\\_form\\_2023.docx](#)

Proposals and beam requests should be submitted to HIL PAC Secretary: Katarzyna Wirozsek-Lipska, e-mail: [hl\\_proposal@atj.sjc.uw.edu.pl](mailto:hl_proposal@atj.sjc.uw.edu.pl), tel. +48 22 5546216.

Before submission of the proposal, it is requested that you make contact with a person at HIL who becomes the local contact person for the project and helps to clarify all matters related to the experiment including its technical feasibility. In case you cannot indicate such a person please ask for advice the PAC secretary. The contact persons of the respective devices ([list here](#)) must also be informed before a proposal is submitted. Experimental teams interested in the use of the plunger device are requested to contact Christoph Fransen before submitting the proposal:

Plunger contact person: Christoph Fransen, e-mail: [fransen@ikp.uni-koeln.de](mailto:fransen@ikp.uni-koeln.de)

# Targets



## The main Goal

Gather the community of European “nuclear target makers” having expertise in target manufacturing and characterization, both for nuclear and applied physics

purposes

Fostering the connection between different nuclear physics institutions with the aim to create and maintain a distributed infrastructure for target development, production, and characterization.

- Target developments
- Target fabrication

Feedback and exchange of information among researchers involved in target characterization

- Final use

## Milestone

Month 3 Production of a report to define the state of the art in the field and collect the requests from the community

Fulfilled

## Deliverable

Creation of a database (DB) containing the information about the preparation and the characteristics of available targets in various laboratories

Two post-docs hired with EURO-LABS funds:  
Vasilis SOUKERAS (INFN)  
Radia RAHALI (GANIL)

DB ready, working on the publication (EURO-LABS website?)

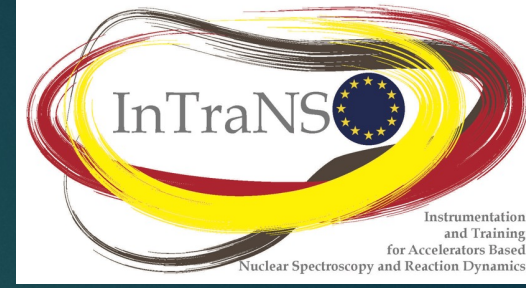
See poster session



# InTraNS

Instrumentation and Training for accelerator based Nuclear Spectroscopy and Reaction

<https://web.infn.it/EURO-LABS/intrans/>



## 2024 events:



**Hands-on Training Workshop on Operation, Test and Repairs of Ge Detectors 2024**

Sep 2 – 6, 2024  
INFN - Laboratori Nazionali di Legnaro  
Europe/Rome timezone

Enter your search term

86 participants. Great success !  
→ the INTRANS SC has decided to host another workshop before the end of EURO-LABS contract



30 participants, 9 lecturers, 10 hands-on laboratories

## 2025 events sponsored/organized by INTRANS:

- Training Workshop on Coulomb Excitation (27-30 January 2025, Florence, Italy)
- AGATA Data Analysis School (13-17 January 2025, Lyon, France)
- INTRANS Ge Detector School (7-11 April 2025, Liverpool, UK)

## 2026 events:

2nd INTRANS workshop (LNL)



# Conclusions and outlook



- The work in WP2 progresses very well.
- **Many interesting scientific highlights in different TA facilities were obtained.**
- Many facilities exceeded the AUs planned for whole duration of the project, other will exceed this limit soon. This demonstrated that access to nuclear physics facilities are in high demand. Questions were raised how to finance the AUs after exceeding the planned limit.
- There are small issues in few laboratories in spending the T&S budget – measures to improve this will be taken.
- Theo4Exp VA facility, opened to users only since 9 month, demonstrated large interest of the users. Further actions to advertise it are planned.
- **Service improvements provided very interesting developments**
- All planned milestone were reached on time. The work on remaining milestones and deliverables is in very good progress

*Thanks to all FC and task leaders for providing the information*