

Preventing hUman intervention  
for incrREased SAFety  
in inFrastructures Emitting  
ionizing radiation

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# **RP13: Interactive visual intervention planning in particle accelerator environments with ionizing radiation**

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# Purpose of the study

The purpose of this project is to deliver a set of software tools and a methodology for:

- 3D simulation for interventions in radioactive environment
- On screen visualization of dose rates to which workers are exposed and individual and collective doses received**
- Merging radiation maps (from *Fluka* & data from measurements) with CATIA 3D models



## The deliverables:

The resulting software and methodology will be focused on *complex interventions in radioactive environment*, in order *to work out an optimal intervention plan in the spirit of an ALARA approach*.

# General Principles of Radiation Protection

## **1) Justification:**

any exposure of persons to ionizing radiation has to be justified

## **2) Limitation**

the personal doses have to be kept below the legal limits

## **3) Optimization**

the personal doses and collective doses have to be kept as low as reasonable achievable (ALARA)

# ALARA

## As Low As Reasonably Achievable

Starts already during at the *design phase*:

- Design the components for optimised maintenance and repair (imagine yourself maintaining a radioactive component)
- Design the whole facility for optimised maintenance and repair (optimised lay-out, space, cranes, easy access to equipment, etc.)
- Consider remote handling as an option

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**“complex interventions in radioactive environment”**

**Why ?**

# At CERN we work in tunnels and caverns...

- Access for people and equipments can be complicated
  - Due to lack of space, we work very closely to the radioactive equipments
  - Storing and transport is very often difficult
- We need careful preparation and training

# 3 examples of real situations @ CERN

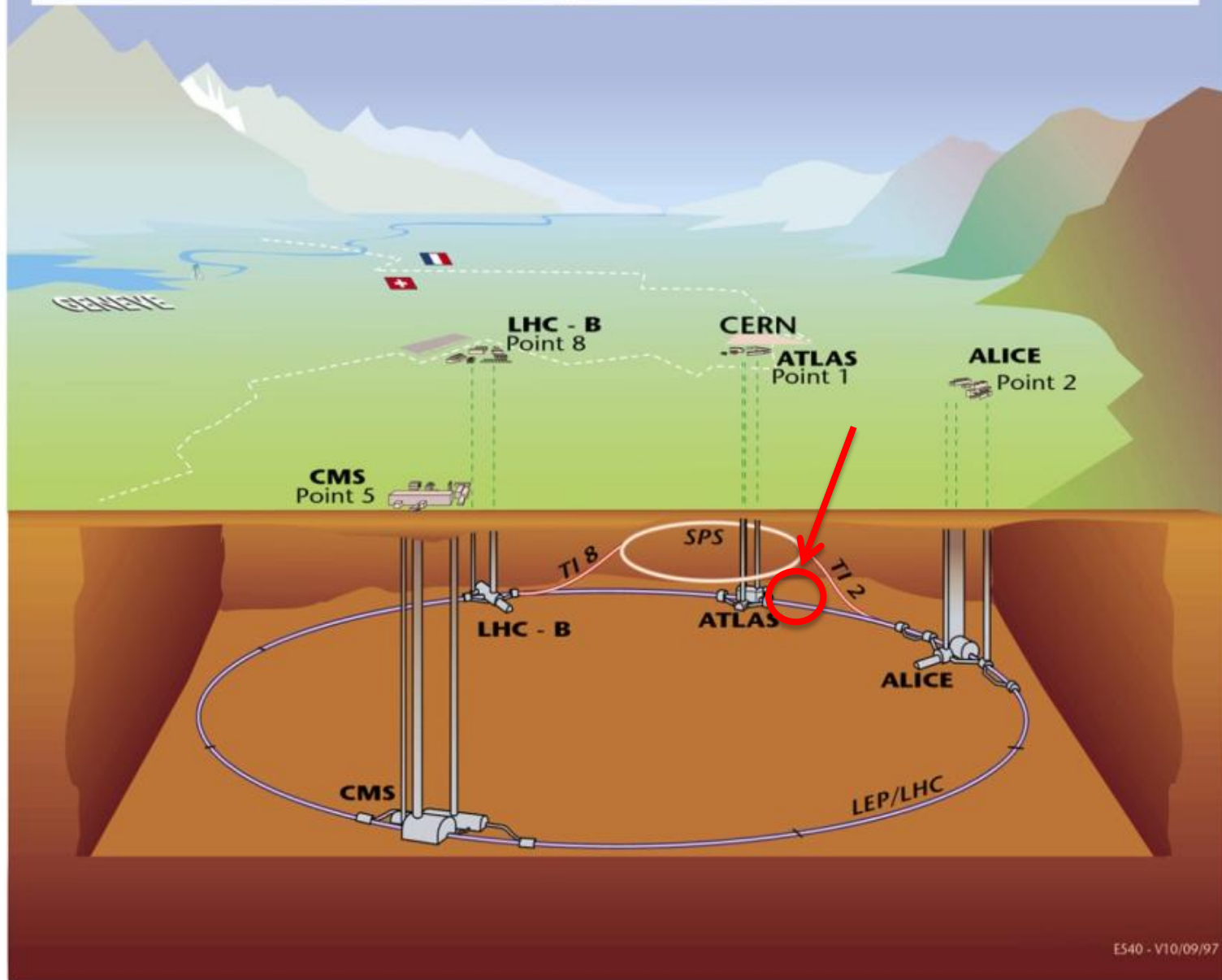
- Collimator exchange
- TAN mini crane
- ISOLDE Robots

# **Example 1: TAN mini crane**

**The need: - Recovery scenarios**



# Overall view of the LHC experiments.



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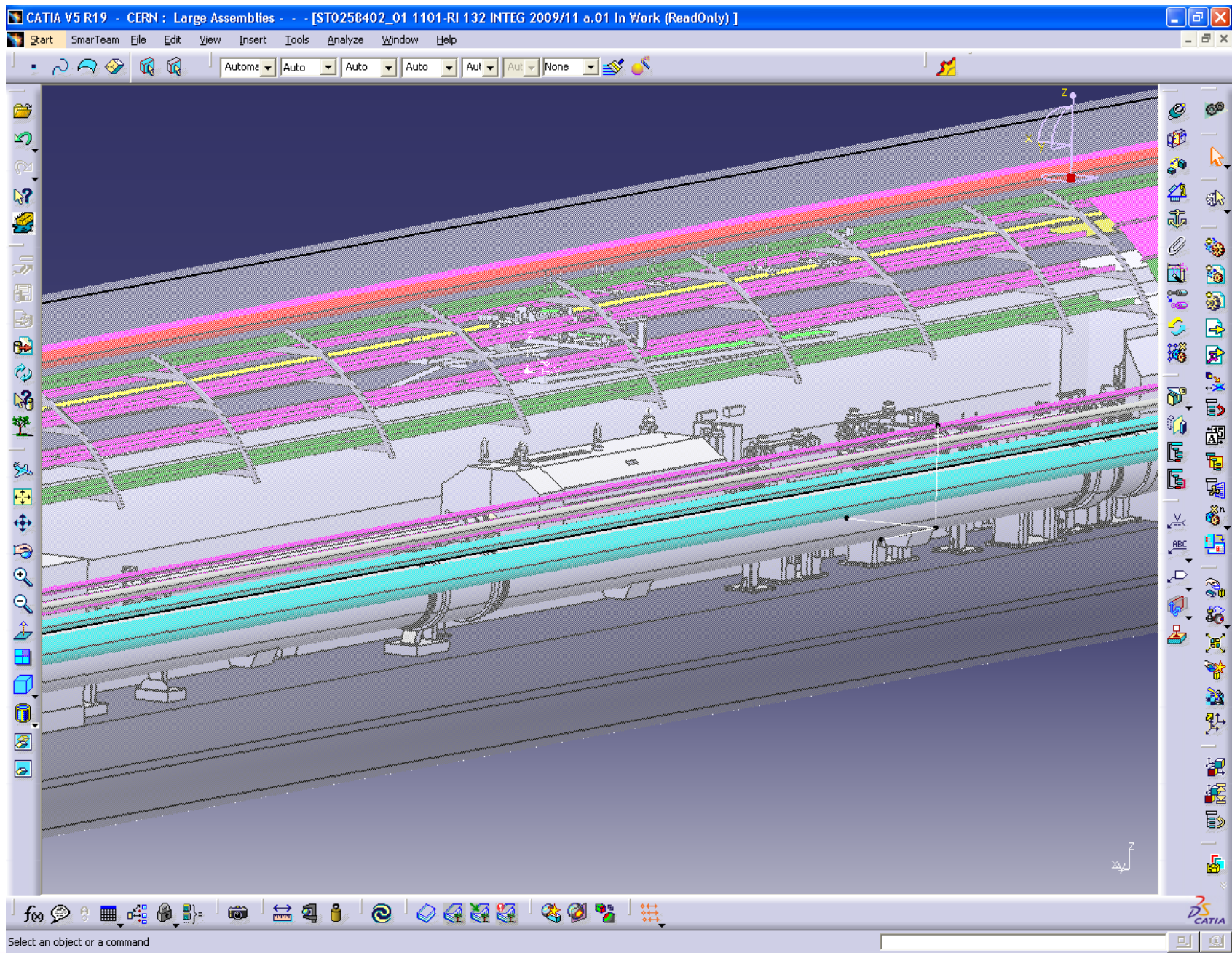
# The CERN PDM: ENOVIA SMARTEAM

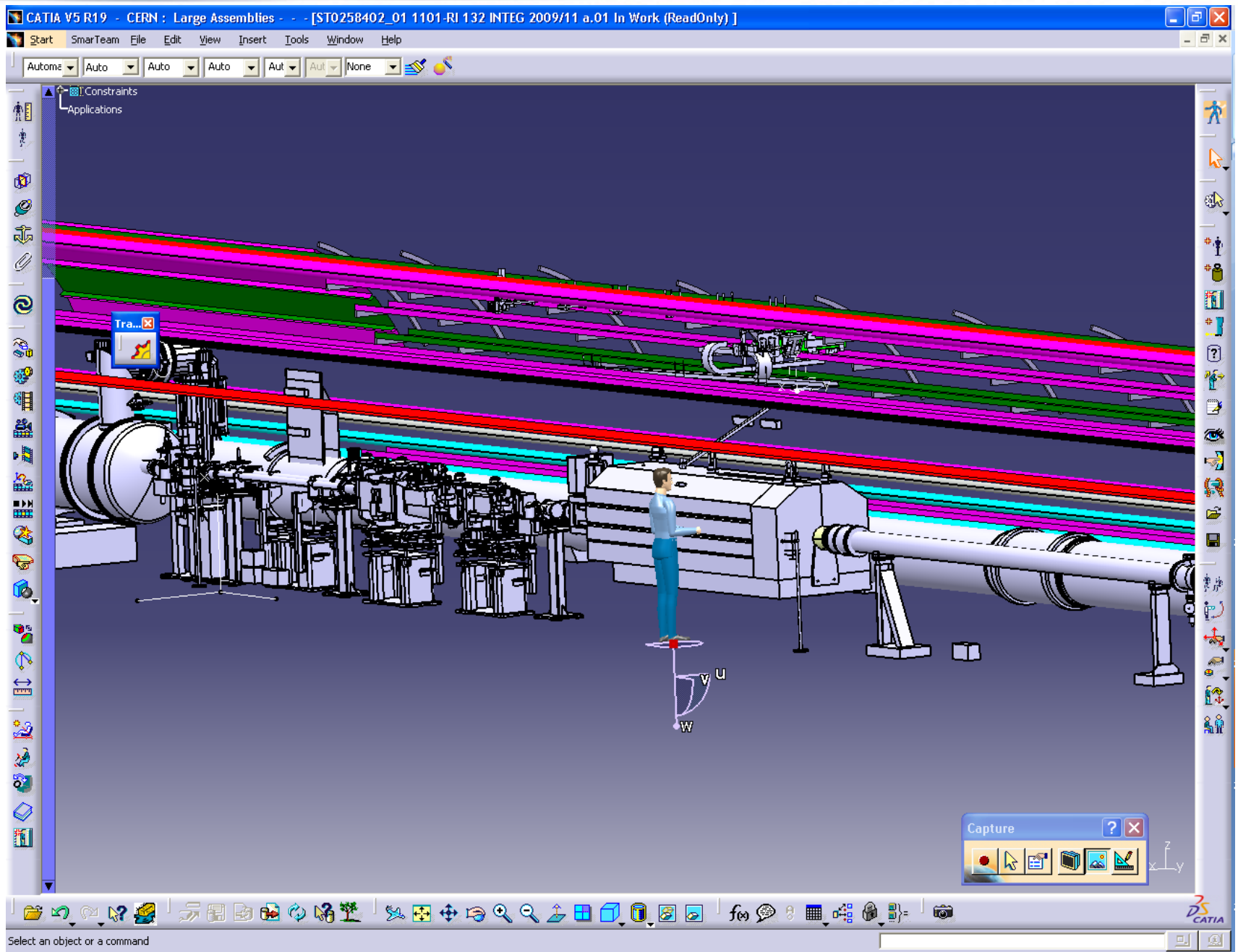


# The CERN CAD system: CATIA V5

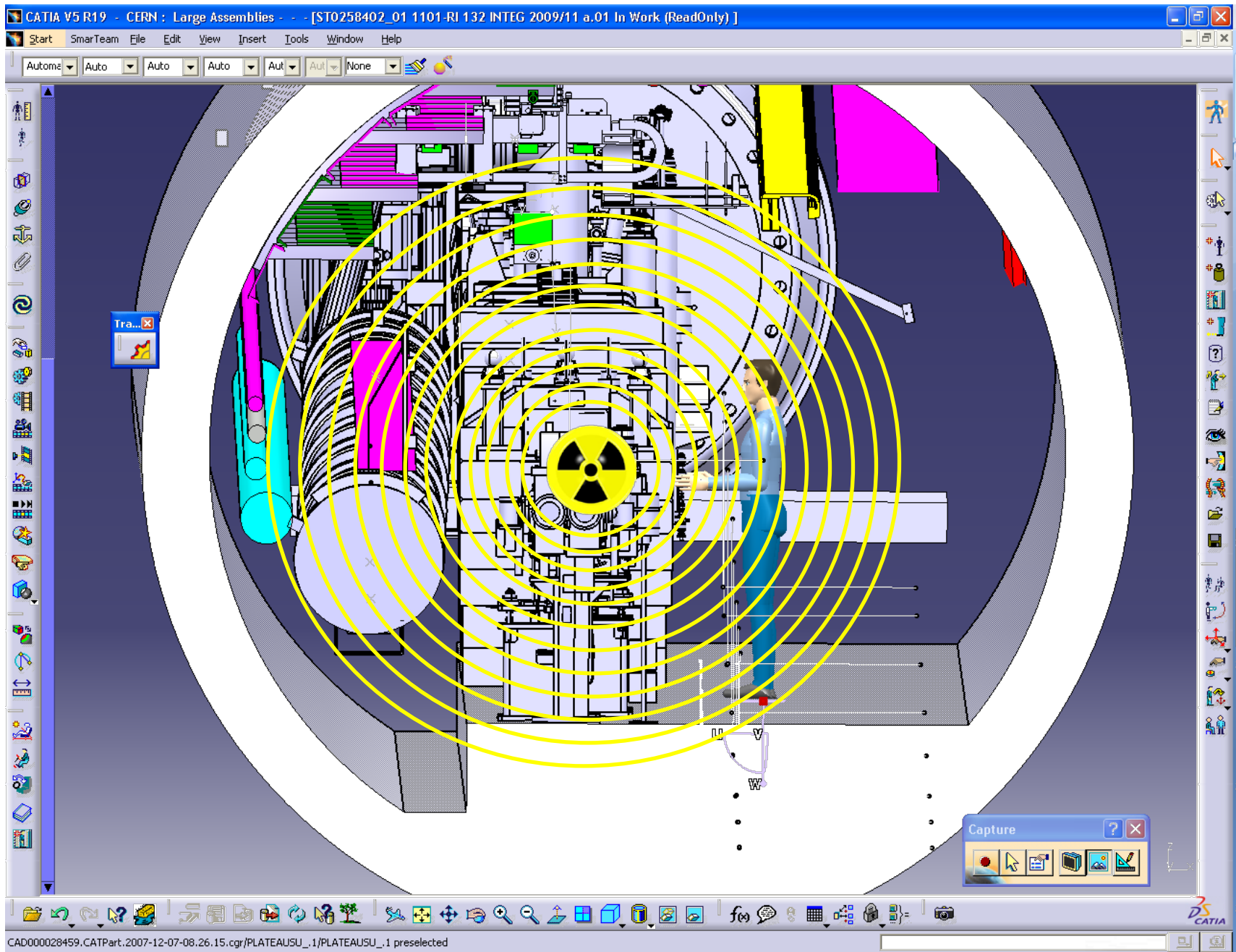






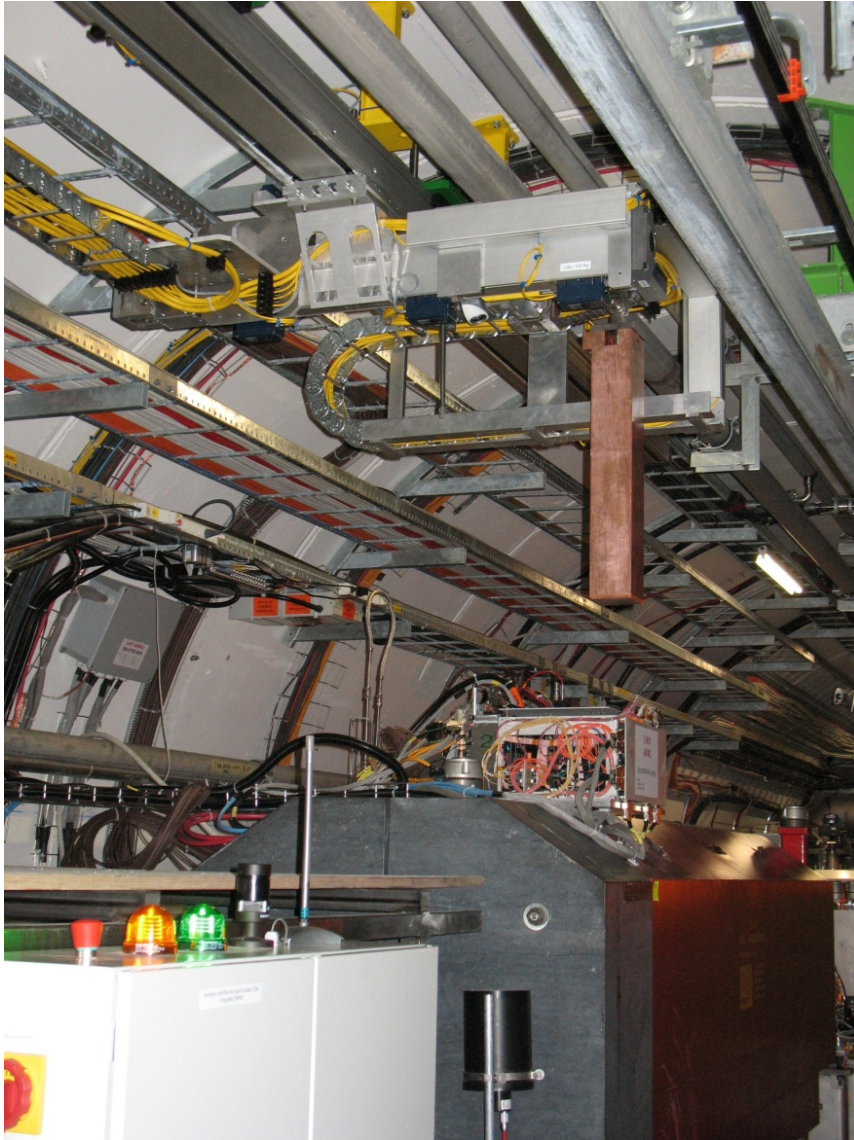








## TAN Mini Crane copper bar handling



## **Example 2: ISOLDE target area**

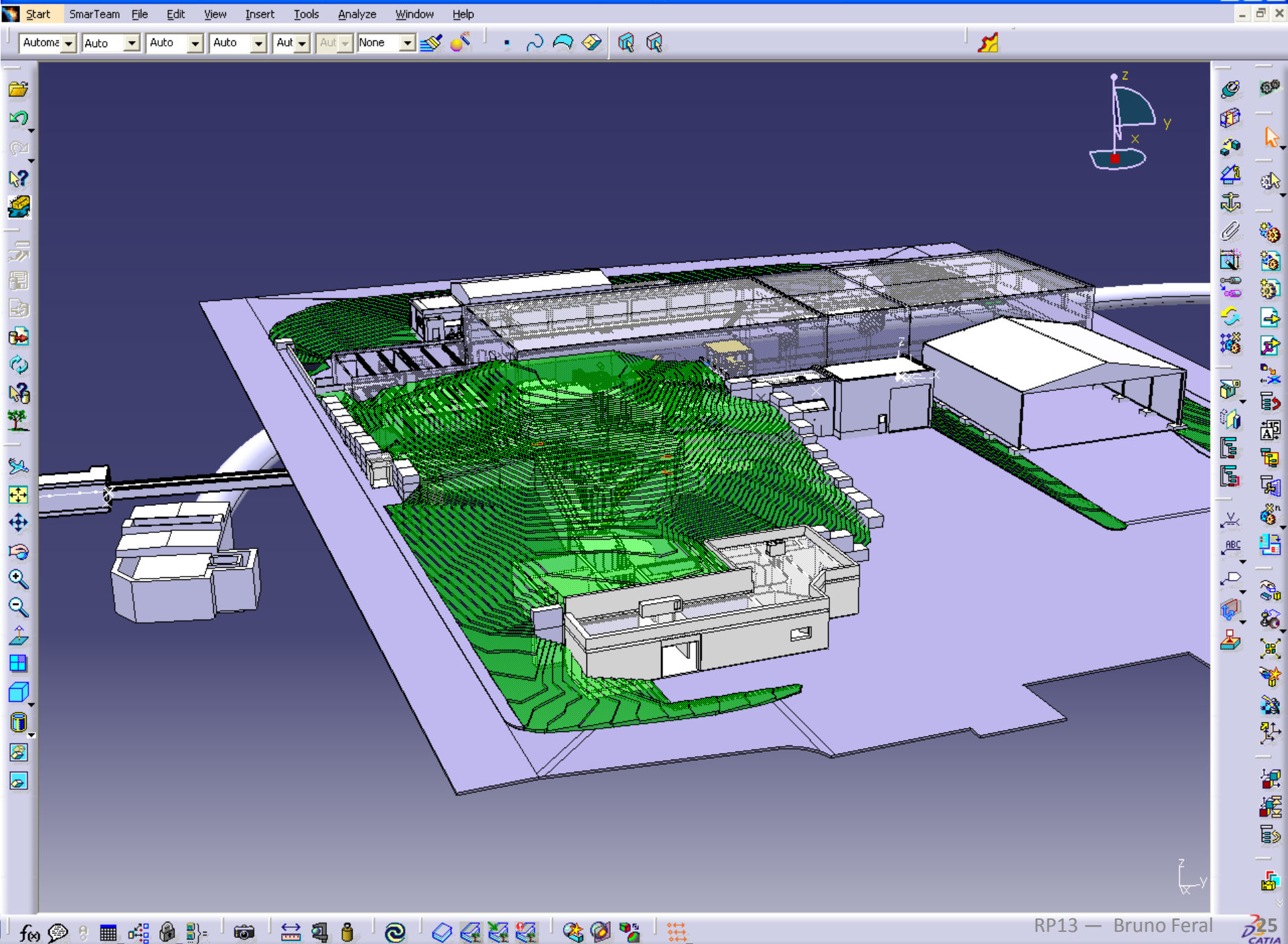
**The need:**

- developing recovery scenarios
- training of operators

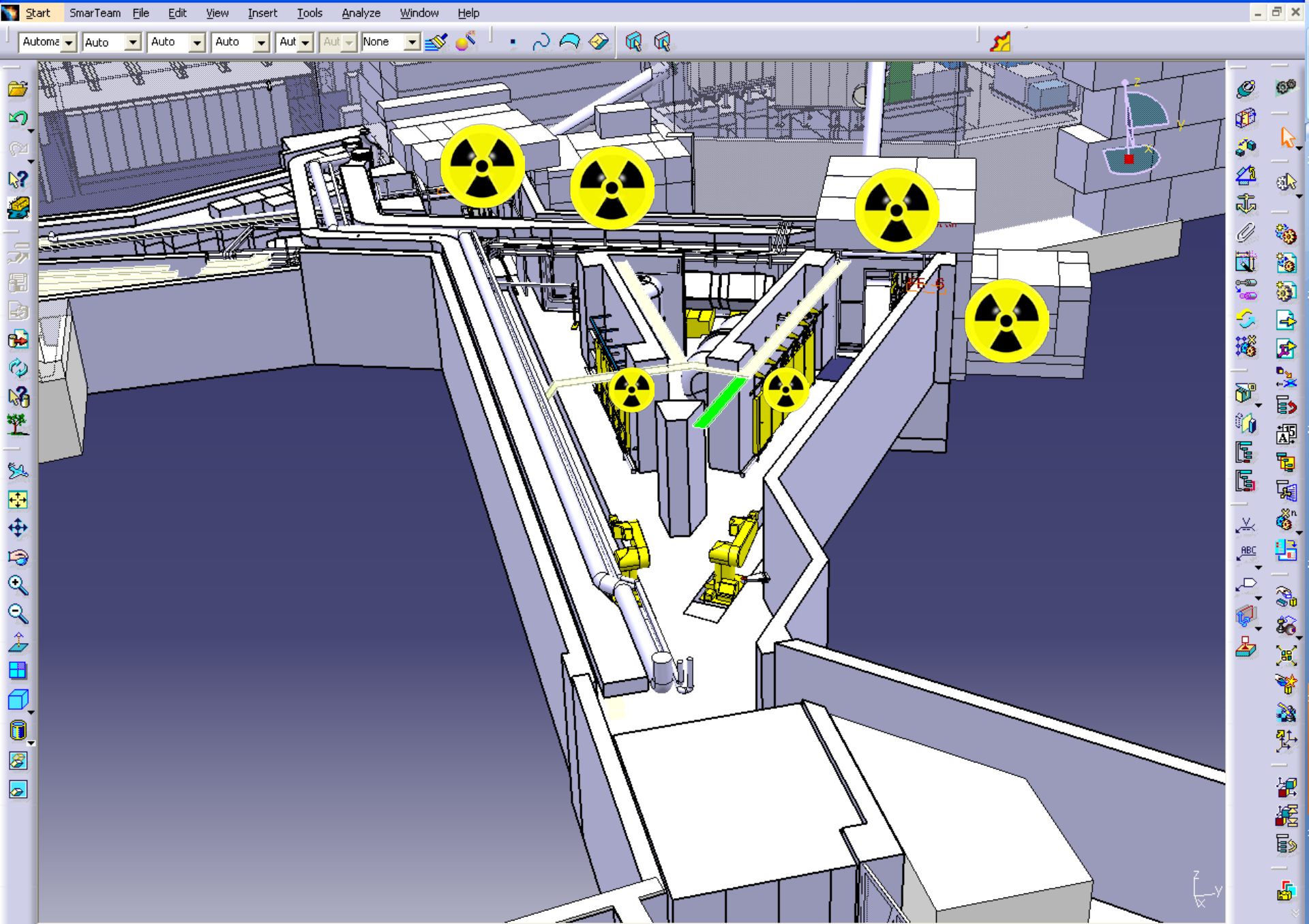


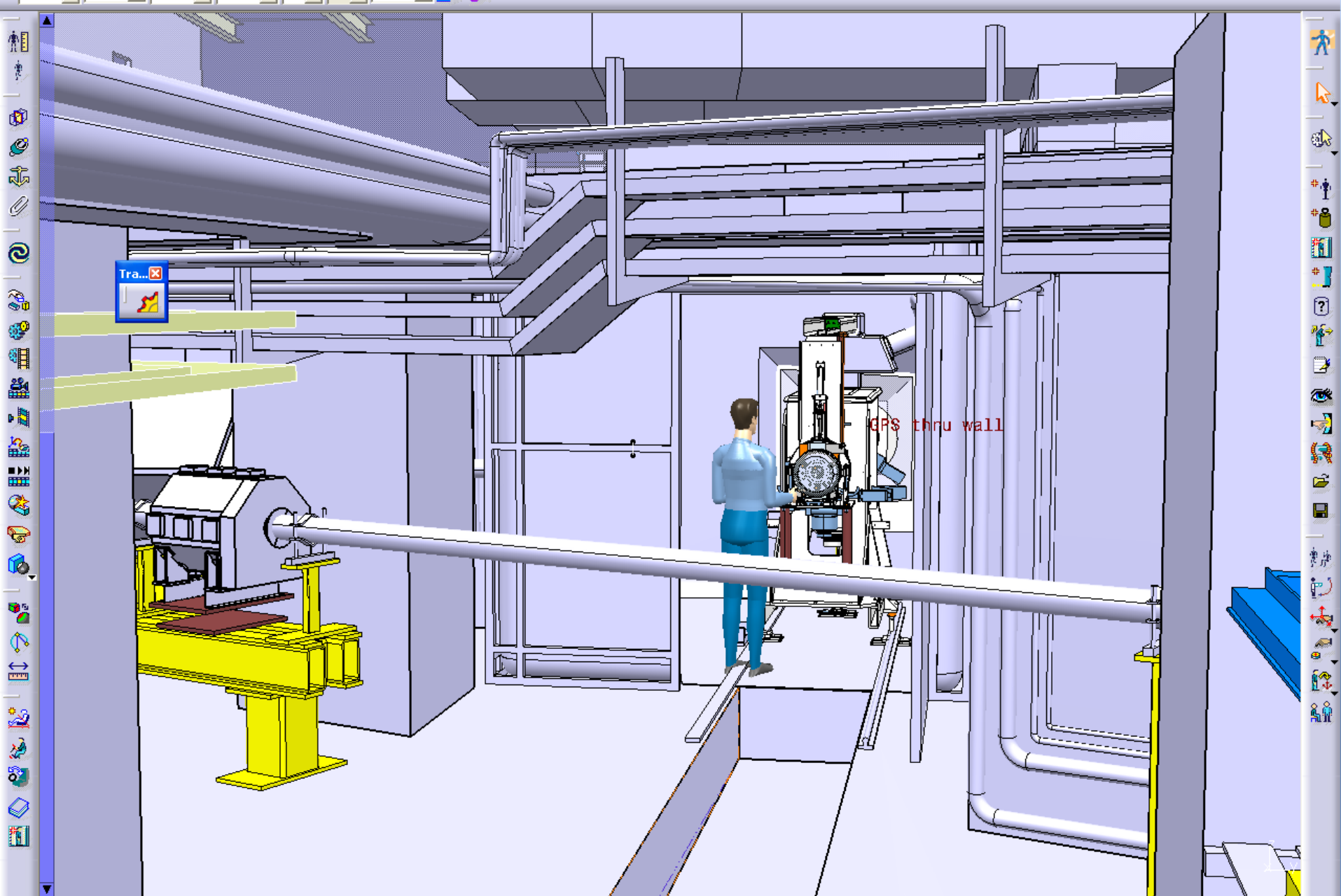
ISOLDE robots  
Location: Building 179 – ISOLDE Class A Lab

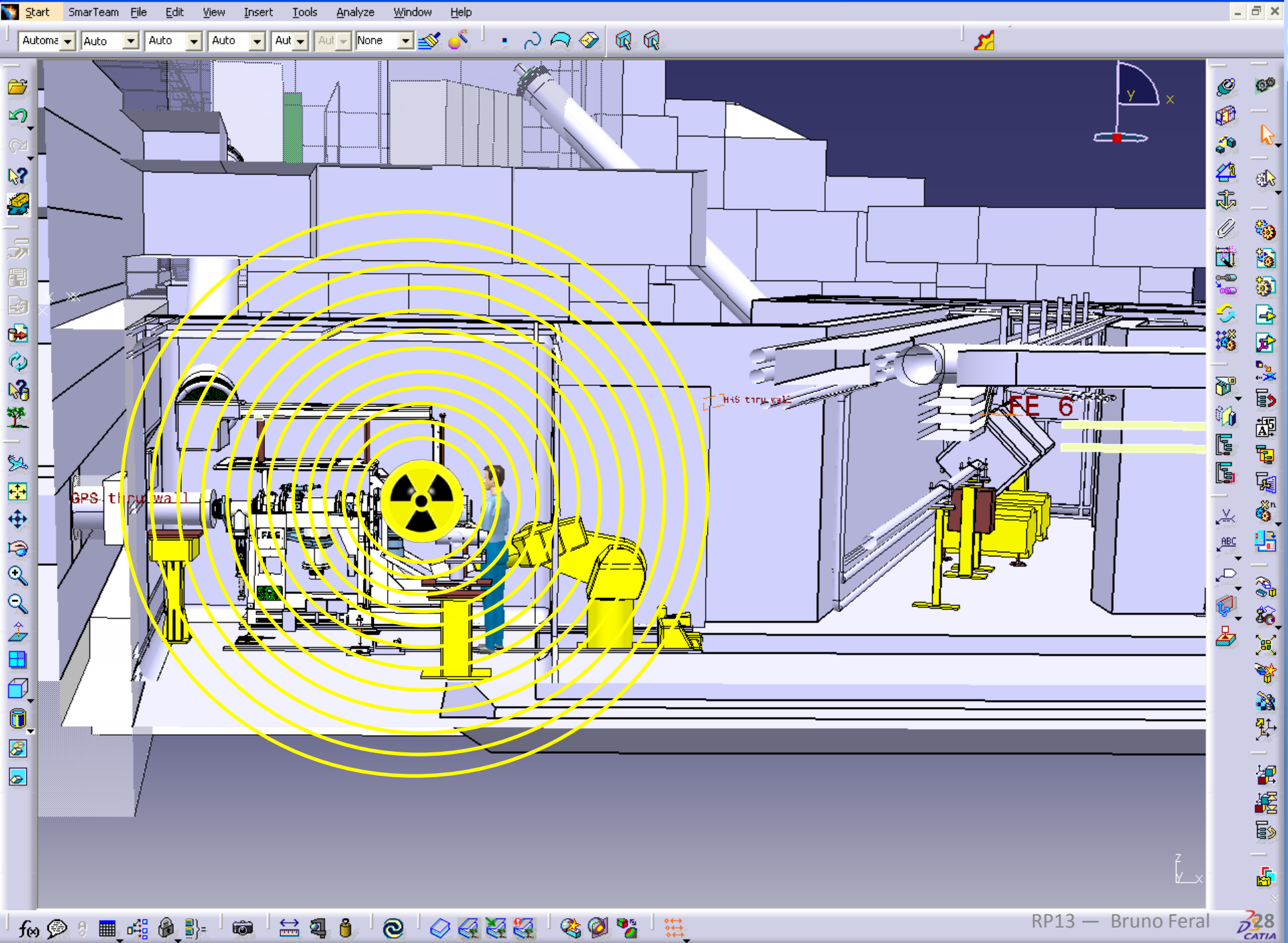




















# **Example 3:**

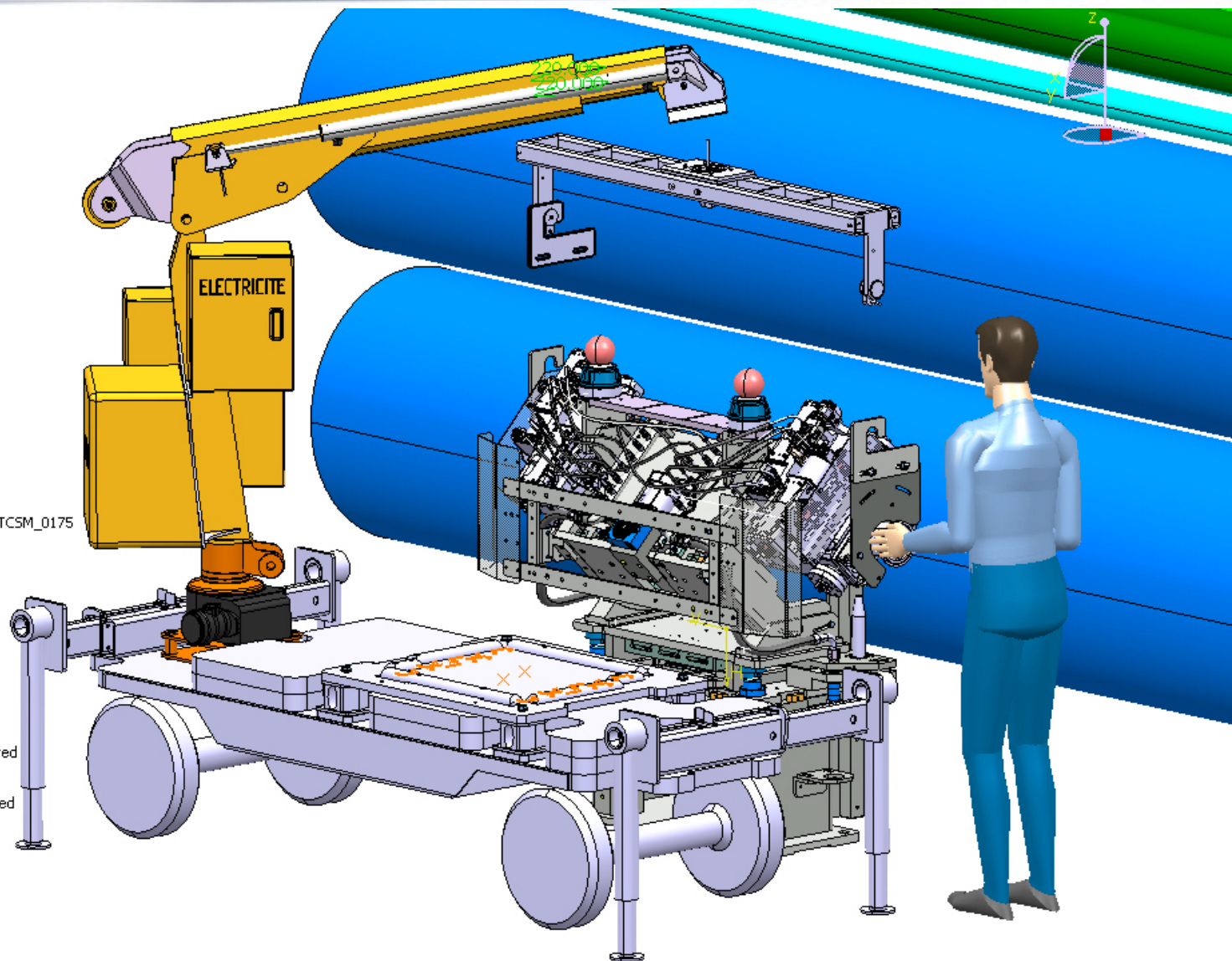
## **Collimator exchange**

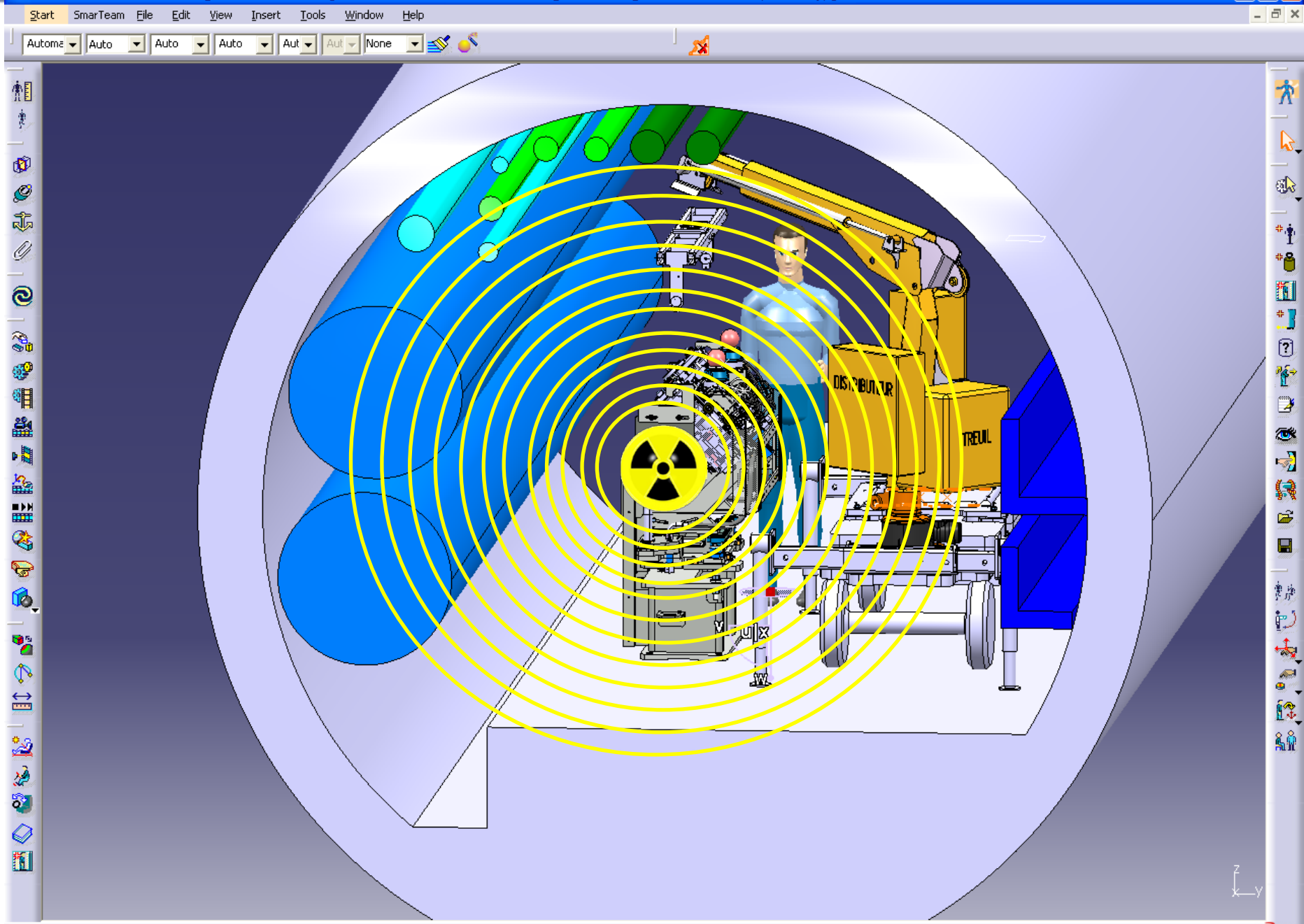
**The need:**

- optimizing work scenarios
- developing methodologies
- training of operators



- ST0270960\_01 Collimator Handling with Palfinger 1t
- ST0270816\_01 Tunnel Environment
- ST0267554\_01 Trailer-Crane PC2300
- ST0269627\_01 COLLIMATEUR 135° INSTALLE LHCTCSM\_0175
- Manikin (keith)
- Constraints
- Applications
- Scenes
  - Outer Collimator on Support, Front View
  - Outer Collimator Lifted 530mm, Front View
  - Inner Collimator on Support, Front View
  - Inner Collimator on Support, Side View
  - Inner Collimator on Support, Side View, Centered
  - Inner Collimator on Support, Top View
  - Inner Collimator on Support, Top View, Centered
  - Inner Collimator Lifted 430mm, Front View







# Collimator exchange: doing it for real...



# Optimized collimator handling



Mock-up feasibility trials



“Merging radiation maps (from Fluka)  
with CATIA 3D models”

**What is Fluka?**

# FLUKA Description

FLUKA is a general purpose tool for calculations of particle transport and interactions at CERN.

- Maintained and developed under CERN-INFN<sup>\*</sup> agreement and copyright 1989-2011
- More than 4000 users all over the world <http://www.fluka.org>

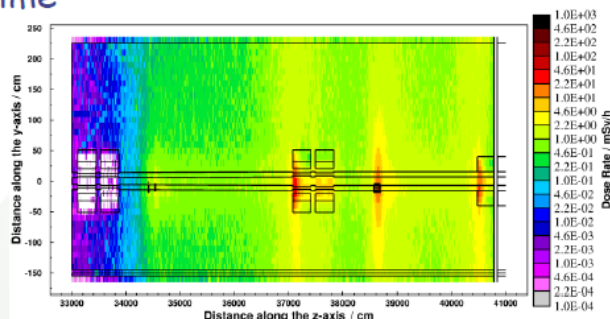
\* Istituto Nazionale per la Fisica della Materia

# Example of FLUKA application

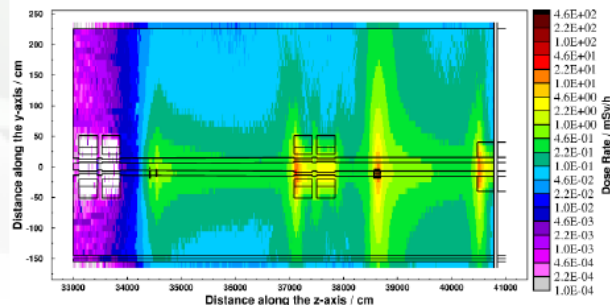
## Applications – *LHC collimation region*

Cooling time

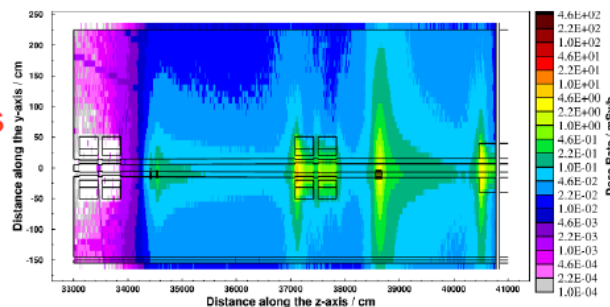
8 hours



1 week



4 months



Residual dose rate (mSv/h)  
after one year of operation



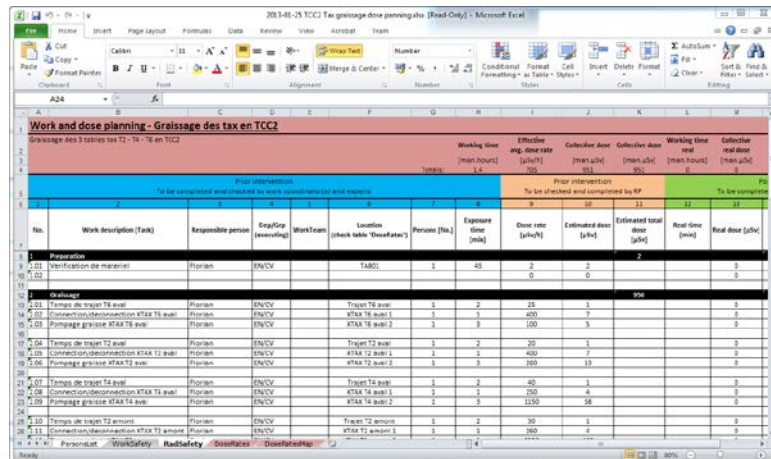
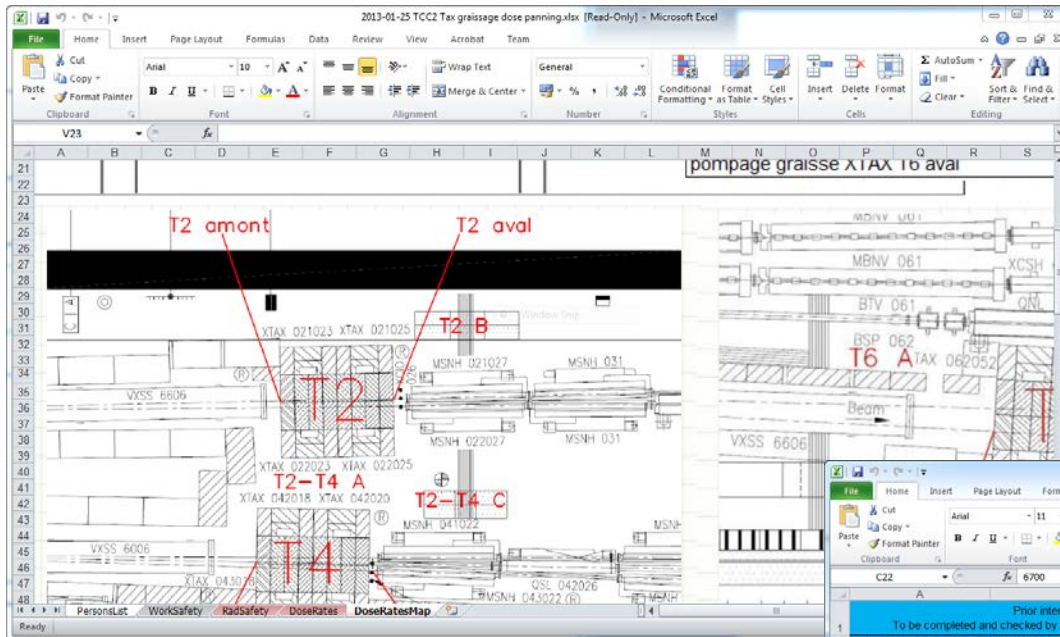
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REMANENT DOSE RATE MAPS  
OF THE LHC BETATRON CLEANING INSERTION (IR7)

M. Brugger, D. Forkel-Wirth, S. Roesler

# Work and dose planning

- + optimize work scenarios
- + accurate
- time consuming
- lack of interactivity

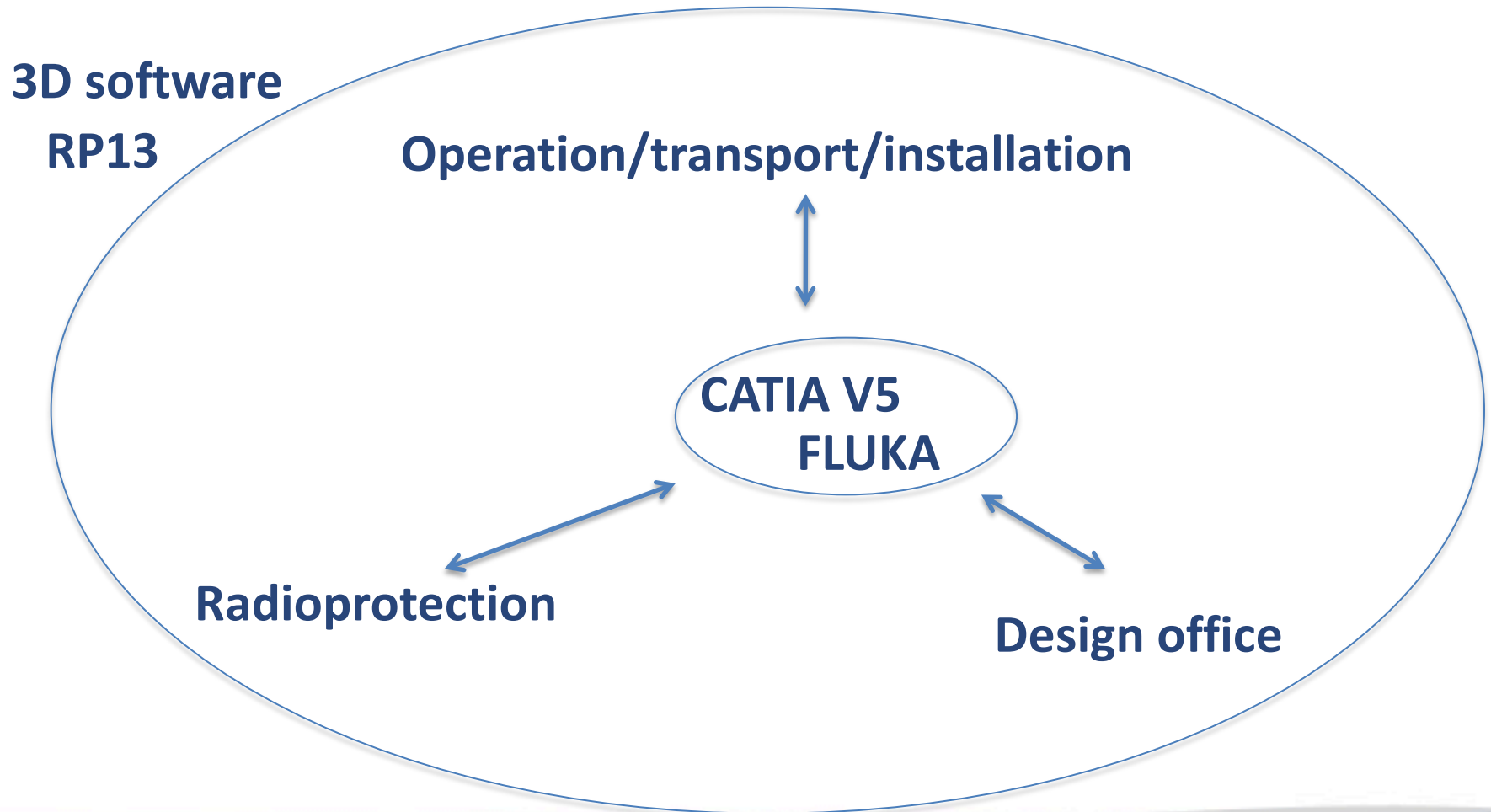


To be completed and checked by work coordinator(s) and experts		Prior intervention	Calculations	
Position	Description	Dose rate (µSv/h)	Reduction factor	New dose rate (µSv/h)
TA801	Zone de repli	2		0
Trajet T6 aval		25		0
XTAX T6 aval 1	T6 aval connection/deconnection	400		0
XTAX T6 aval 2	T6 aval graissage	100		0
Trajet T2 aval		20		0
XTAX T2 aval 1	T2 aval connection/deconnection	400		0
XTAX T2 aval 2	T2 aval graissage	260		0
Trajet T4 aval		40		0
XTAX T4 aval 1	T4 aval connection/deconnection	250		0
XTAX T4 aval 2	T4 aval graissage	1150		0
Trajet T2 amont		30		0
XTAX T2 amont 1	T2 amont connection/deconnection	260		0
XTAX T2 amont 2	T2 amont graissage	3250		0
Trajet T4 amont		50		0
XTAX T4 amont 1	T4 amont connection/deconnection	6750		0
XTAX T4 amont 2	T4 amont graissage	50		0
Trajet T6 amont		350		0
XTAX T6 amont 1	T6 amont connection/deconnection	6700		0
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# **RP13: a new approach?**

# An integrated approach: An aid to communication...



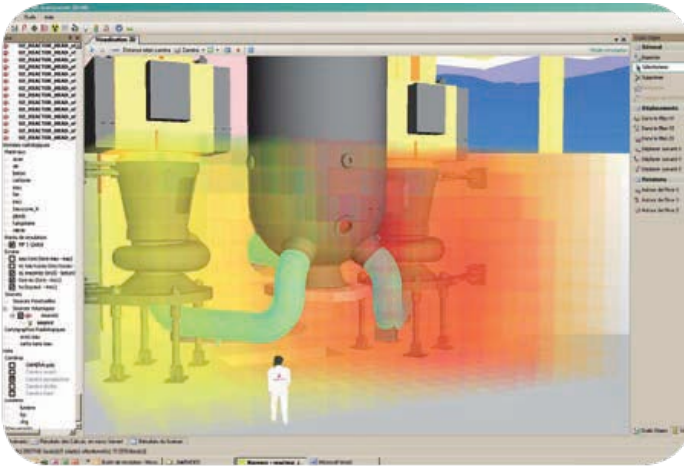
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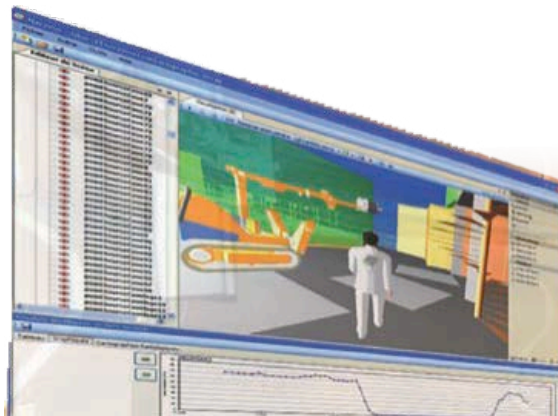
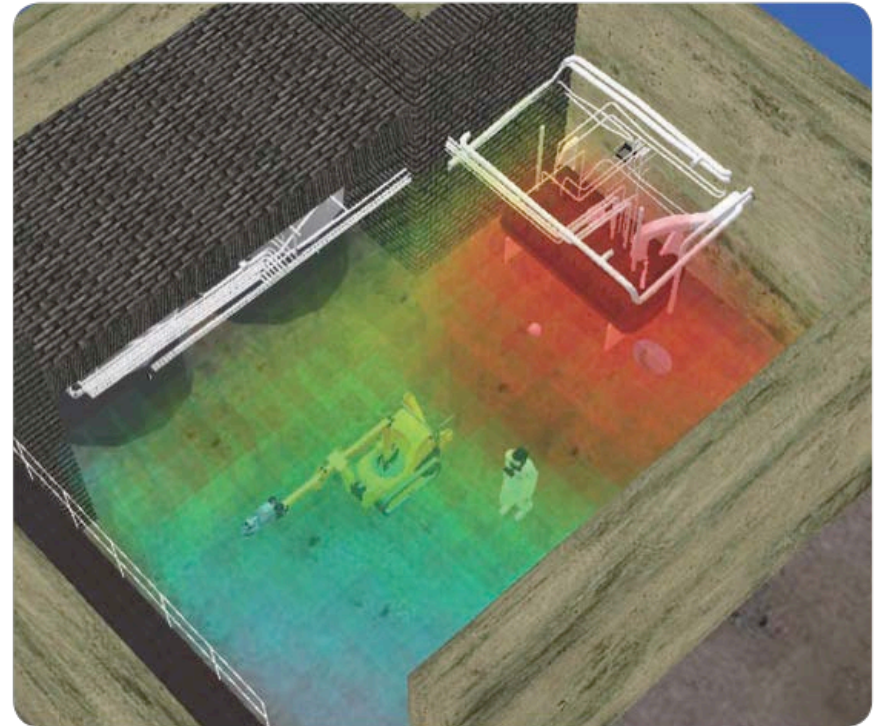
# NARVEOS by **A** EURIWARE



La solution NARVEOS : optimiser les interventions sur les chantiers ionisants (2010). <http://euriware.areva.com/FR/euriware-399/la-solution-narveos.html>



Moving around steam generator within dose cartography



# Commercial tools not suited for CERN facilities

Narveos and Visiplan: point-kernel methods to calculate gamma dose-rates based on user-inputted information in terms of radionuclide composition as well as spatial distribution.

This approach cannot be applied directly to radiation environments encountered at high energy accelerators.



VINCKE, HELMUT AND THEIS, CHRIS AND ROESLER, STEFAN (2011). Induced radioactivity in and around high-energy particle accelerators. *Radiation Protection Dosimetry*, **146-4**, 434-439.

→ CERN uses FLUKA calculation tool

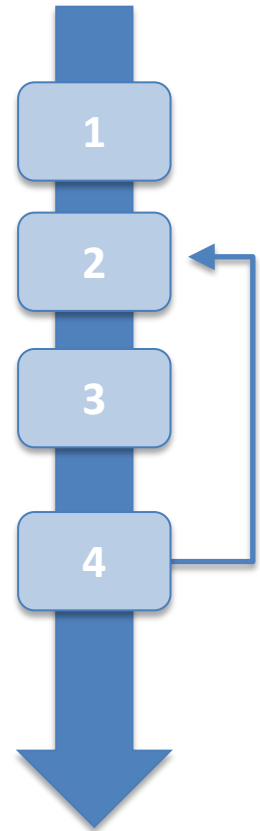
# Develop RADIJS Software tool



# How does the tool work?

1. Import geometry and import Fluka data
2. Map operator trajectory and build operation tasks
3. Compute radiation doses
4. Optimization of the intervention
  - \* Work condition : location, radiation dose
  - \* Paths followed between tasks

To be repeated...



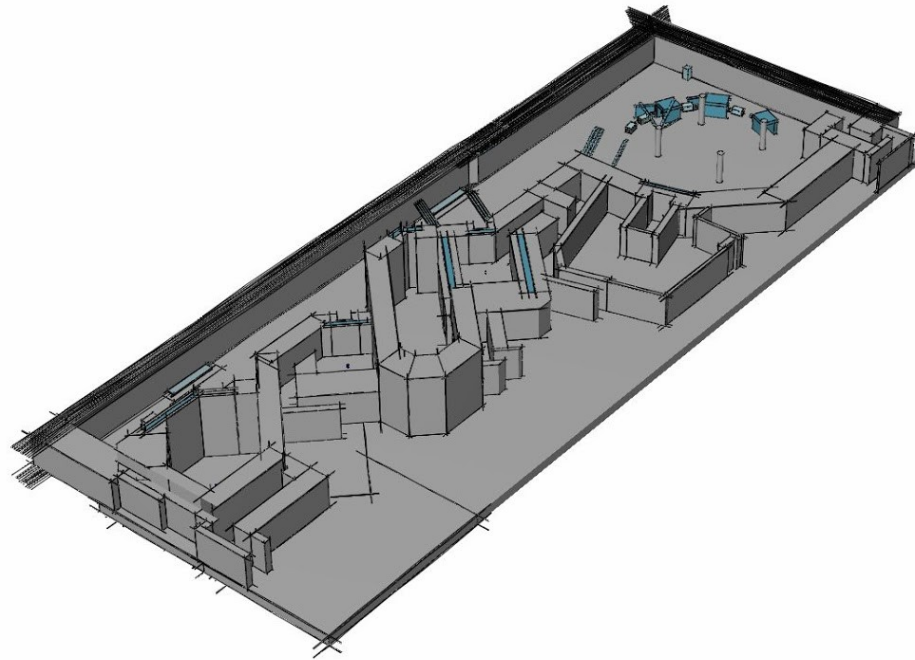


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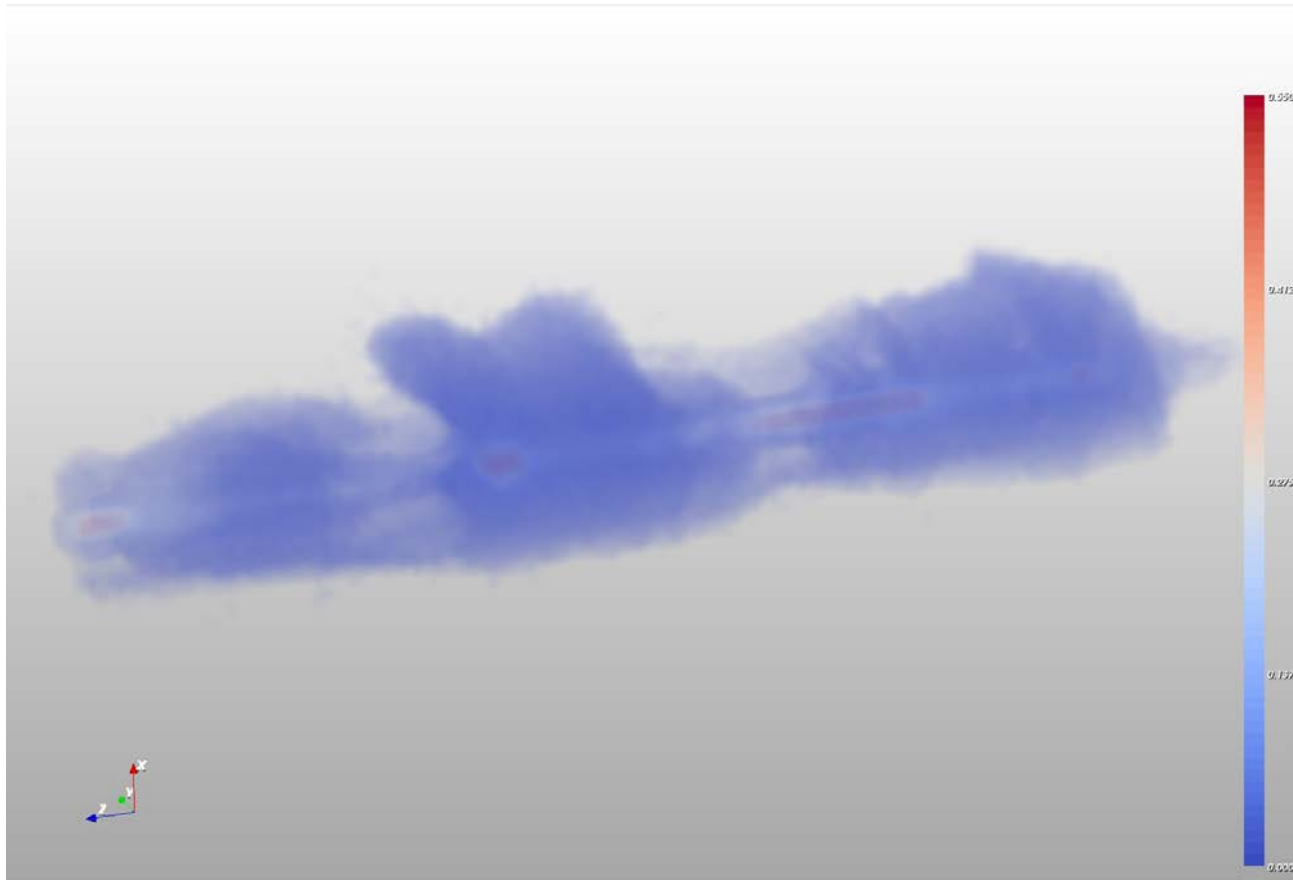
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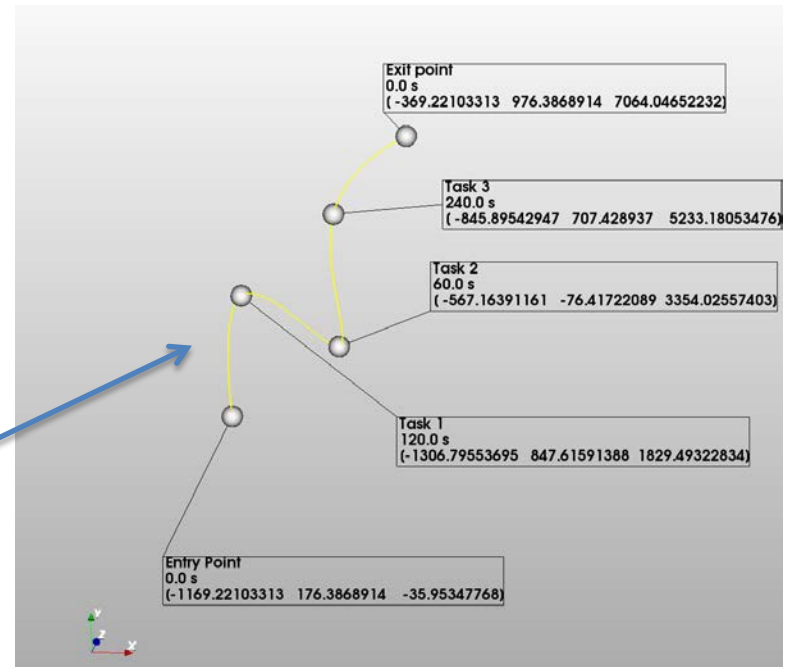
# 1- Import the 3D geometry of the facility to assess



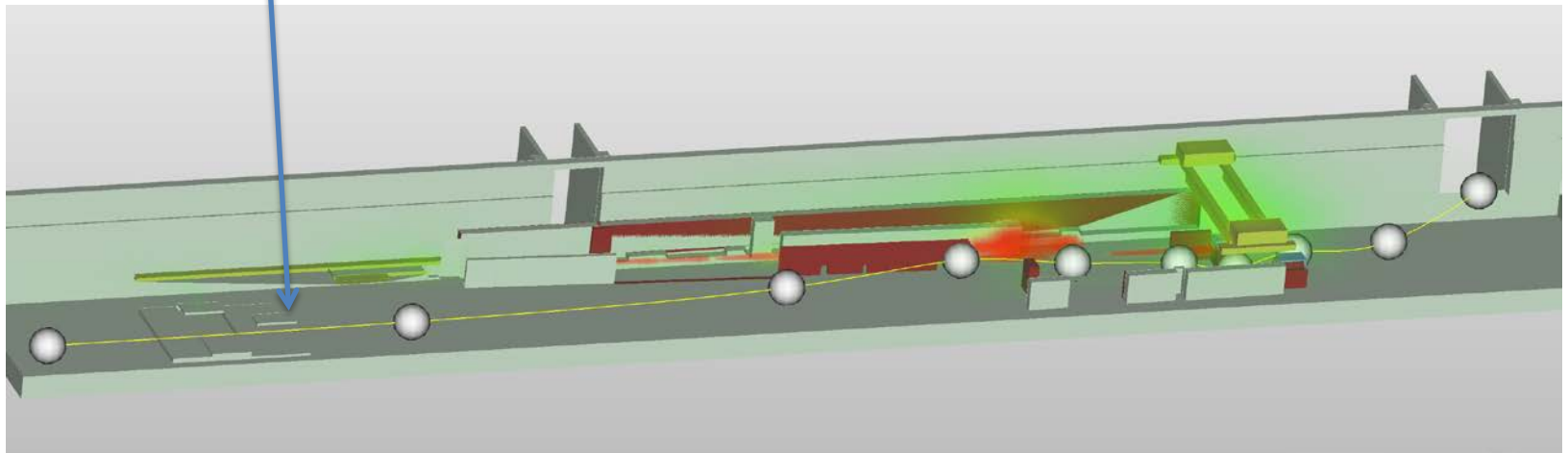
# 1- Import the data from FLUKA



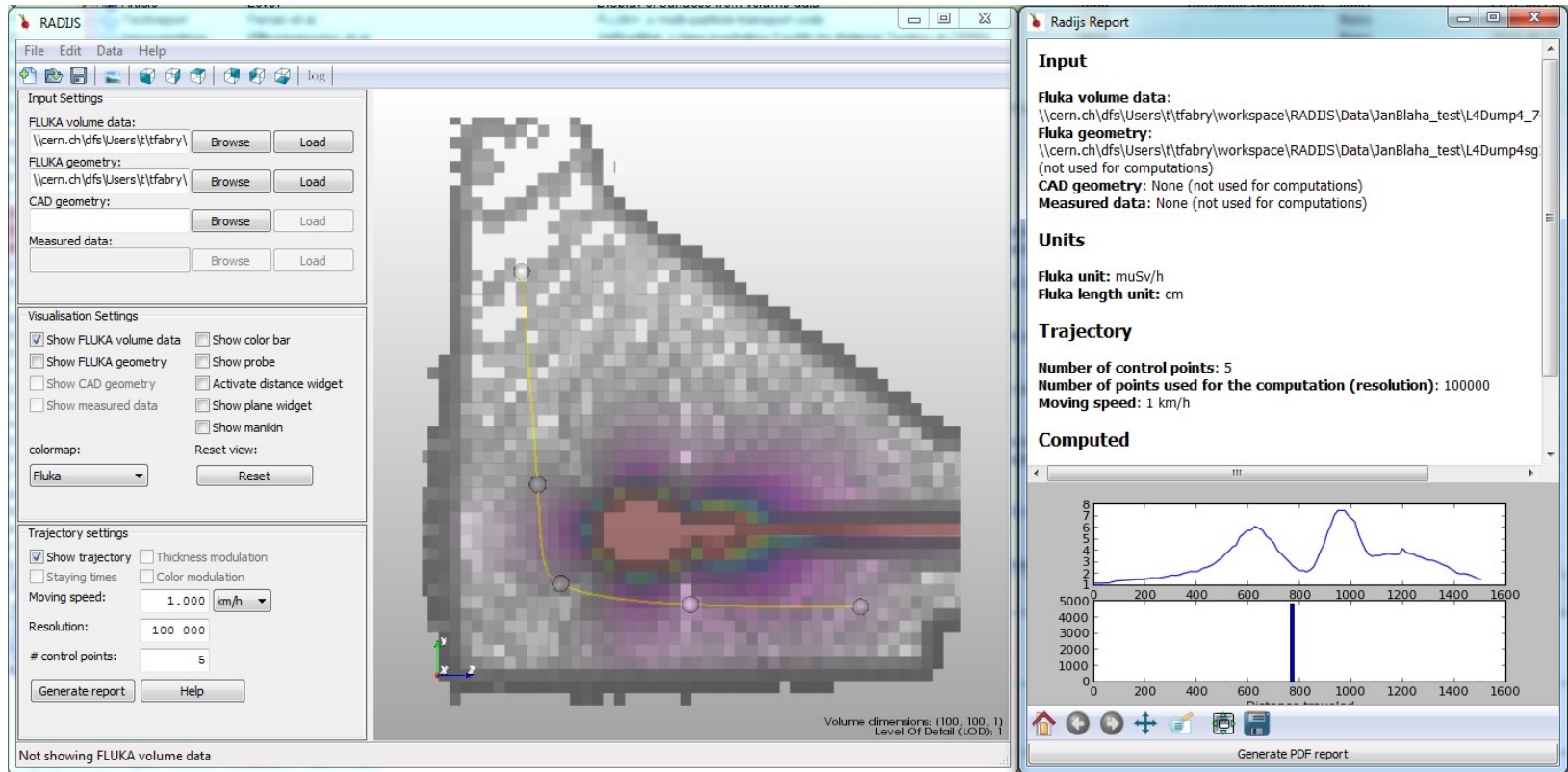
## 2- Build a trajectory



The trajectory of an intervention



# 3- Compute doses



# 4- Generate report

- the **sources**: the names of the input files containing the geometry of the facility and the radiation levels, the applicable units, ...
- the **trajectory** information: locations, discretisation information, ...
- the **results**: the computed received dose to be expected during the intervention, the length of the trajectory, ...

RADIUS report


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**Input**  
Fluka volume data: \\cern.ch\dfs\Users\itfabry\workspace\RADIUS\TNC-1day-activation.usrbin  
Fluka geometry: \\cern.ch\dfs\Users\itfabry\workspace\RADIUS\lwx\Combined.obj  
CAD geometry: None  
Measured data: None

**Units**  
Fluka unit: None  
Fluka length unit: cm

**Trajectory**  
Number of control points: 10  
Number of points used for the computation (resolution): 1000  
Moving speed: 1 km/h

**Computed**  
Length of trajectory: 64718.2  
Average length of trajectory discretisation step: 64.718226563  
Computed dose: 3236794.56



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# DEMO

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# Conclusions

- A fully operational software is available at CERN and for Puresafe partners.
- A new approach to integrate constraints of intervention in radioactive facilities (starting from design phase).
- A new communication and training tool for team involved in maintenance of radiation and design facilities.
- Interactive, dynamic and 3D, benefit from today state of the arts visualisation technics.
- This task-level optimization can be combined with schedule-level intervention optimization as studied in Puresafe RP 2 from Mathieu Baudin.

# Possible very interesting developments

- A good base for testing augmented reality applications.
- Instantaneous visualisation of radiation - Integration of measured data from gamma ray cameras?



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