

## 14.5 Mechanical and thermal tools for innovative calorimeters

**Task 1** Precision mechanics for calorimeter structures

**Task 2** Infrastructure to evaluate thermal properties of calorimeter structures

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# Planned activities

## WP14.5-Task 1

Precision mechanics for calorimeter structures (CIEMAT)

### Goal

To investigate the suitability of the electron beam welding (EBW) technology for very precise absorber mechanical structures for highly compact imaging calorimeters

**Deliverable :** D14.7 (Month 42) → (End of 2018)

To design and build a mechanical absorber structure with 4 long plates using EBW

The deliverable will be based in the [SDHCAL design for the ILD @ ILC](#) (Sampling Calorimeter made of Stainless steel + GRPC-Glass Resistive Plate Chambers)

### DELIVERABLE CHARACTERISTICS

Plates **~3x1 m<sup>2</sup>**, 15 mm thick (Roller leveled)

Slot for the cassette **~12 mm thick**  
(needed to create the space between absorber plates to insert the GRPCs):

Surface planarity **< 1mm** ,  
Lateral thickness tolerance **+/-100μm**

Material: **Inox AISI 304**  
(stainless steel – non magnetic)

Assembly: **Electron Beam welding (EBW)**

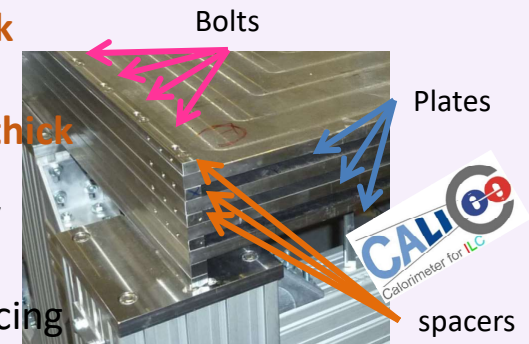
### ~1m<sup>3</sup> CALICE PROTOTYPE

Plates **~1x1 m<sup>2</sup>**, 15 mm thick  
(Machined)

Slot for the cassette **~13 mm thick**

Plates assembled together by using an intermediate **spacer** insuring the place for introducing the detectors

Assembly **M8 Bolts**

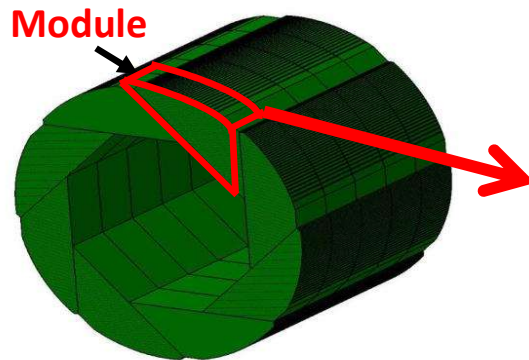


Detail after assembly the **first 4 absorber plates** of the **1.3m<sup>3</sup> prototype**

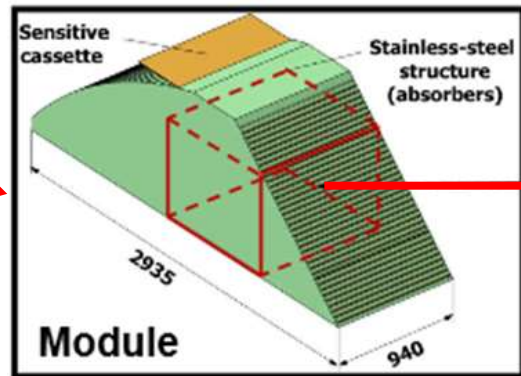
# Semi-Digital Hadronic Calorimeter (SDHCAL)-ILD prototypes

The structure will be focused to the SDHCAL-GRPC, proposed for **ILD of ILC**.  
 Sensor detectors are made of **GRPC** (Glass Resistive Plate Chambers) and placed in **self-supporting mechanical** structure to serve as absorber as well.

SDHCAL ILD barrel



SDHCAL ILD module



SDHCAL 1.3m<sup>3</sup> prototype



**Absorber:** Stainless Steel  
**Active Medium:** GRPC  
 SemiDigital readout. 1cm<sup>2</sup> pads  
 Electronics embeded in the detector

HIGH GRANULARITY CALORIMETER

**ILD SDHCAL**

*Plates & GRPCs:*  
 up to ~3x1 m<sup>2</sup>  
*Absorber assembly*  
**Welding?**  
*(To minimize dead space)*

**~1.3m<sup>3</sup> SDHCAL prototype**

*Plates & GRPCs :*  
 ~1x1 m<sup>2</sup>  
*Absorber assembly:*  
**Bolted**

# Plates production & Quality Control

The best standard plates in the market have a larger planarity (~several mm) than the required one (<1mm)

Planarity achieved using roller leveling at ARKU  
Baden-Baden (Germany) [www.arku.de/](http://www.arku.de/)



5 Plates (~3x1 m<sup>2</sup>) available at CIEMAT  
Initial planarity between 1 and 3mm  
(8 smaller (~0.4x1 m<sup>2</sup>) plates for previous test)  
Final planarity inside the required tolerances



Measurements using laser interferometer.  
Over a flat table (~0.1mm planarity)

Planarity

Planarity (μm)	Plate A		Plate B		Plate C	
	Side 1 up	Side 2 up	Side 1 up	Side 2 up	Side 1 up	Side 2 up
Average	469,3	852,6	511,6	596,3	983,4	1038,0
	Plate D		Plate E			
	Side 1 up	Side 2 up	Side 1 up	Side 2 up		
	458,7	546,1	610,2	521,9		



Thickness

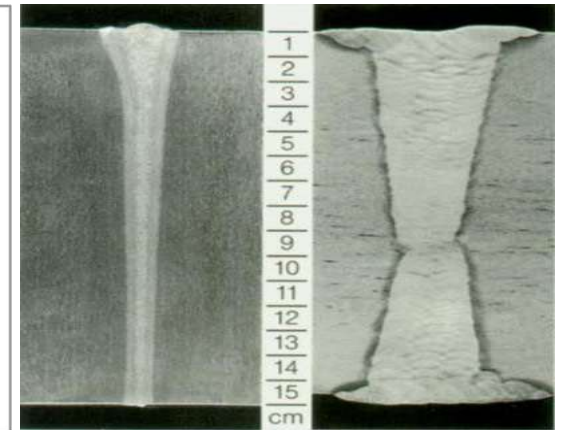
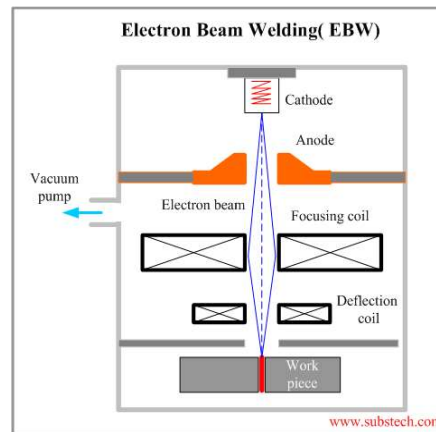
Thickness (mm)	Plate A	Plate B	Plate C	Plate D	Plate E
average	15,256	15,259	15,282	15,247	15,279
max.	15,352	15,340	15,348	15,342	15,350
min.	15,157	15,161	15,216	15,147	15,201
Δ	0,195	0,179	0,132	0,195	0,149

# Mechanical Structure: Welding procedure

Improvement on the present system is being made by using **Electron Beam Welding (EBW)** at **CERN** rather than bolts to reduce the lateral dead space.

Collimate electron beam

→ Very **narrow welding** → **Less deformations**  
**Vacuum conditions needed**

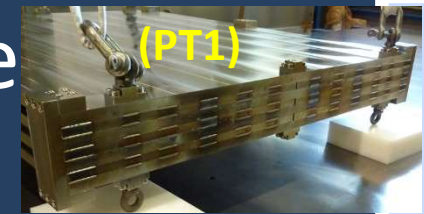


**EBW Machine @ CERN**



**~0.4x1 m<sup>2</sup> (4 slots) welded prototype**

# Assembly of the Structure Previous Welding tests



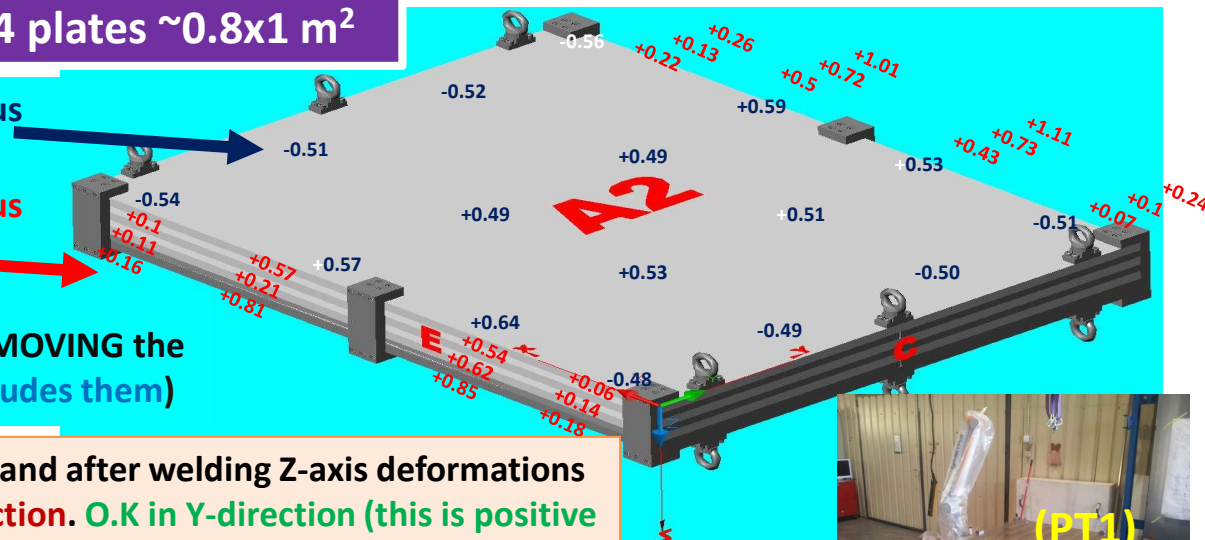
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**First small prototype (PT1): 4 plates ~0.8x1 m<sup>2</sup>**

Differences with respect to the initial status of the plate in Z.

Differences with respect to the initial status of the distance between plates

Measurements have been done AFTER REMOVING the PIECES used FOR RIDIGITY (the picture includes them)

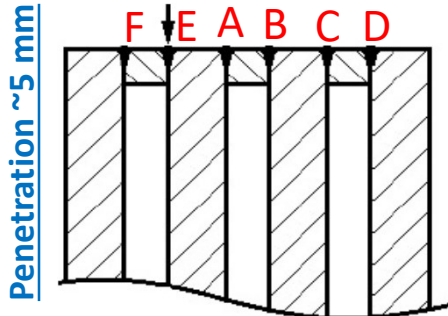


After comparing the measurements before and after welding Z-axis deformations found (~1mm the external plates) in X-direction. O.K in Y-direction (this is positive for the 3 m long prototype).

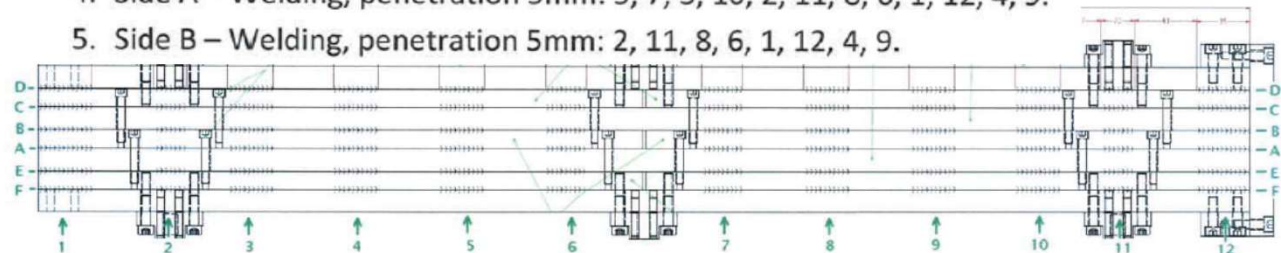
Deformations not symmetric Z-direction → Probably due to the not symmetry welding sequence used??

The welding sequence has been the following:

Welding has been performed column by column following the same row order **ABCDEF**.



1. Side A – Tack welding, penetration 2mm: 6, 1, 12, 4, 9.
2. Side B – Tack welding, penetration 2mm: 6, 1, 12, 4, 9.
3. Side B – Welding, penetration 5mm: 5, 7, 3, 10.
4. Side A – Welding, penetration 5mm: 5, 7, 3, 10, 2, 11, 8, 6, 1, 12, 4, 9.
5. Side B – Welding, penetration 5mm: 2, 11, 8, 6, 1, 12, 4, 9.



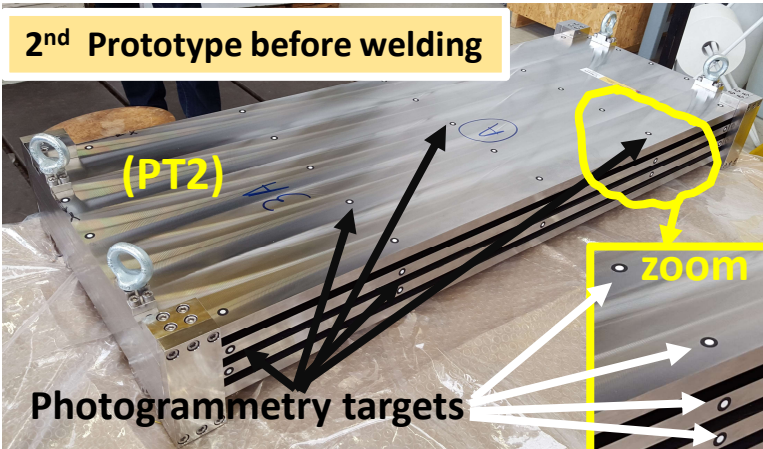
Coordinate 3D measuring machine

# Assembly of the Structure

## Previous Welding tests

### Second small prototype (PT2): 4 plates 0.4x1 m<sup>2</sup>

Welding performed changing a bit the welding sequence and machine parameters with respect to the first prototype:

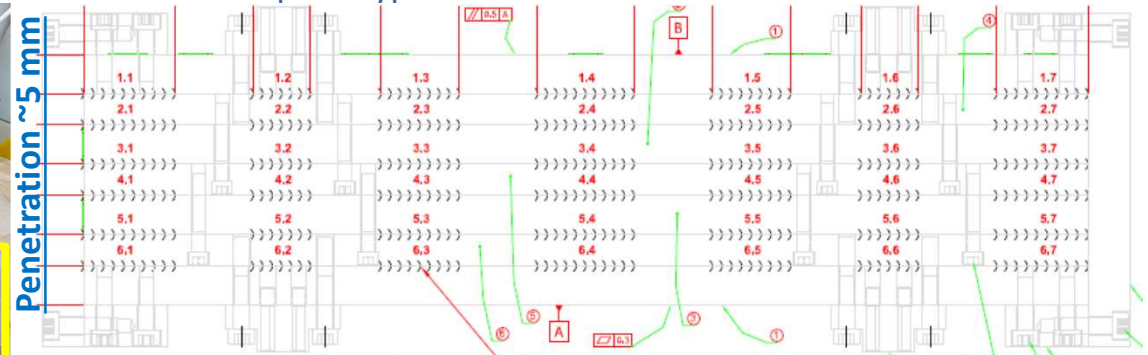


After comparing the measurements before and after welding Z-axis deformations found (~1mm the external plates) in X-direction.

O.K for Y-direction (this is positive for the 3 m long prototype).

Now the Z-direction deformations is symmetric.

→ Similar deformation results.



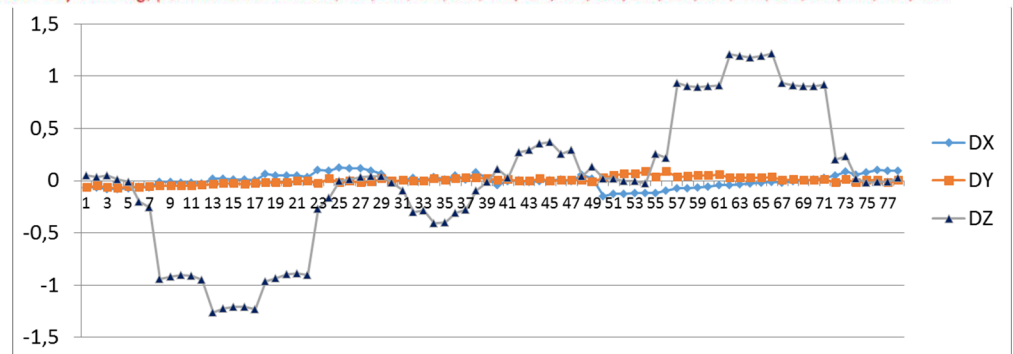
1.- Side C, Tack welding, penetration 2 mm: 3.4, 4.4, 4.1, 3.1, 3.7, 4.7, 2.4, 5.4, 5.1, 2.1, 2.7, 5.7, 1.4, 6.4, 6.1, 1.1, 1.7, 6.7.

2.- Side D, Tack welding, penetration 2 mm: 3.4, 4.4, 4.1, 3.1, 3.7, 4.7, 2.4, 5.4, 5.1, 2.1, 2.7, 5.7, 1.4, 6.4, 6.1, 1.1, 1.7, 6.7.

3.- Side D, Welding, penetration 5 mm: 3.3, 4.3, 4.5, 3.5, 3.6, 4.6, 4.2, 3.2, 2.3, 5.3, 5.5, 2.5, 2.6, 5.6, 5.2, 2.2, 1.3, 6.3, 6.5, 1.5, 1.6, 6.6, 6.2, 1.2.

4.- Side C, Welding, penetration 5 mm: 3.3, 4.3, 4.5, 3.5, 3.6, 4.6, 4.2, 3.2, 2.3, 5.3, 5.5, 2.5, 2.6, 5.6, 5.2, 2.2, 1.3, 6.3, 6.5, 1.5, 1.6, 6.6, 6.2, 1.2, 3.4, 4.4, 4.1, 3.1, 3.7, 4.7, 2.4, 5.4, 5.1, 2.1, 2.7, 5.7, 1.4, 6.4, 6.1, 1.1, 1.7, 6.7.

5.- Side D, Welding, penetration 5 mm: 3.4, 4.4, 4.1, 3.1, 3.7, 4.7, 2.4, 5.4, 5.1, 2.1, 2.7, 5.7, 1.4, 6.4, 6.1, 1.1, 1.7, 6.7.

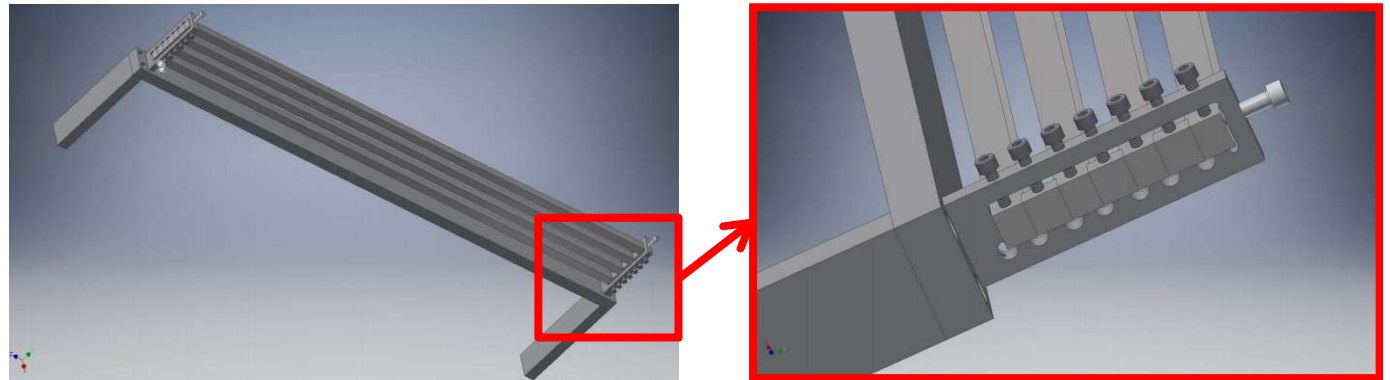


# Assembly of the Structure

## Next Welding tests

Before to weld the next prototypes with 10 mm penetration (greater strength), some tests using **smaller pieces** are foreseen to evaluate “qualitatively” the best way for performing the final welding sequence.

This should allow to make several **fast & cheaper tests**, **changing the sequence & machine parameter of welding** in order to find the procedure producing the **lowest deformation**.



Pieces produced at CIEMAT and waiting at CERN after the photogrammetry for the EBW during April.



Penetration ~10 mm

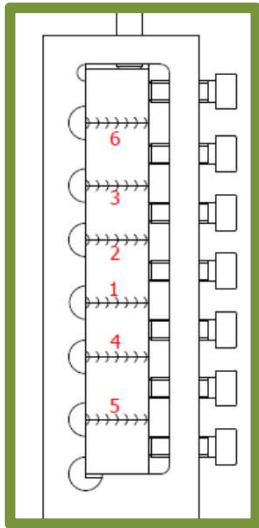




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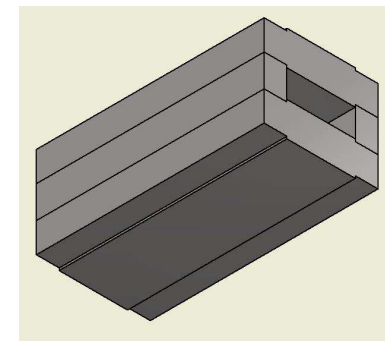
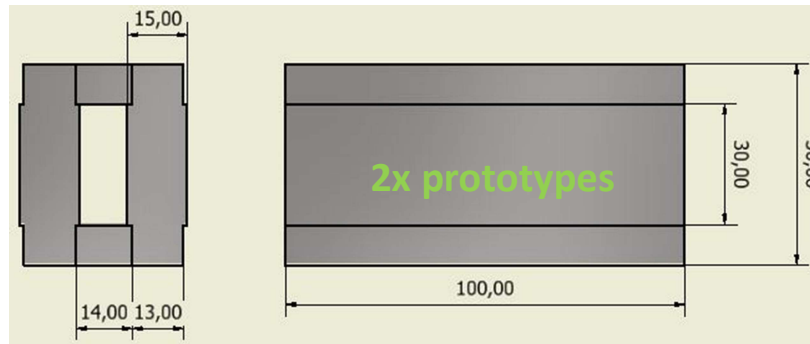
## Next Welding tests

**Welding sequence** for the “*qualitatively*” smaller tests:  
Three different option to try with.



Step (Paso)	test A-B 1	test A-B 2	test A-B 3	test C-D 1	test C-D 2	test C-D 3
1er. (2 mm depth)	1, 2 (side A)	1, 2 (side A)	5, 6 (side A)	1, 2 (side C)	1, 2 (side C)	5, 6 (side C)
2nd. (2 mm depth)	1, 2 (side B)	1, 2 (B)	5, 6 (B)	1, 2 (D)	1, 2 (D)	5, 6 (D)
3rd. (2 mm depth)	3, 4 (side B)	6, 5 (B)	3, 4 (B)	3, 4 (D)	6, 5 (D)	3, 4 (D)
4th. (2 mm depth)	3, 4 (A)	6, 5 (A)	3, 4 (A)	3, 4 (C)	6, 5 (C)	3, 4 (C)
5th. (2 mm depth)	5, 6 (A)	4, 3 (A)	1, 2 (A)	5, 6 (C)	4, 3 (C)	1, 2 (C)
6th. (2 mm depth)	5, 6 (B)	4, 3 (B)	1, 2 (B)	5, 6 (D)	4, 3 (D)	1, 2 (D)
7th. (10 mm depth)	1, 2 (B)	1, 2 (B)	5, 6 (B)	1, 2 (D)	1, 2 (D)	5, 6 (D)
8th. (10 mm depth)	1, 2 (A)	1, 2 (A)	5, 6 (A)	1, 2 (C)	1, 2 (C)	5, 6 (C)
9th. (10 mm depth)	3, 4 (A)	6, 5 (A)	3, 4 (A)	3, 4 (C)	6, 5 (C)	3, 4 (C)
10th. (10 mm depth)	3, 4 (B)	6, 5 (B)	3, 4 (B)	3, 4 (D)	6, 5 (D)	3, 4 (D)
11th. (10 mm depth)	5, 6 (B)	4, 3 (B)	1, 2 (B)	5, 6 (D)	4, 3 (D)	1, 2 (D)
12th. (10 mm depth)	5, 6 (A)	4, 3 (A)	1, 2 (A)	5, 6 (C)	4, 3 (C)	1, 2 (C)

➔ **At the same time, will be tested two very small prototypes to fix the *machine parameters*.**



**Once the procedure is optimized two identically prototypes ( plates ~0.4x1 m<sup>2</sup>) will be welded with those parameter to validate the procedure.**

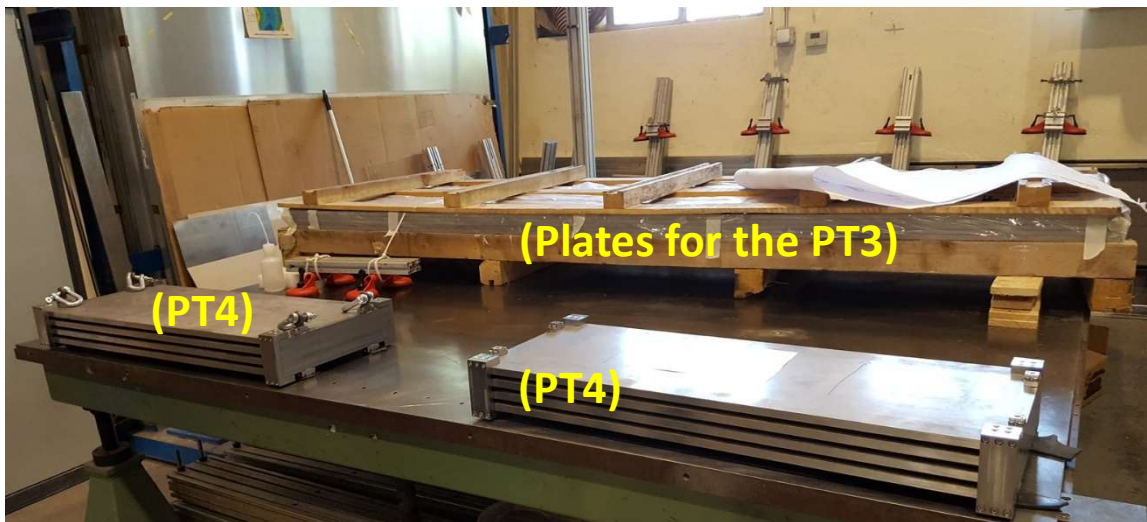
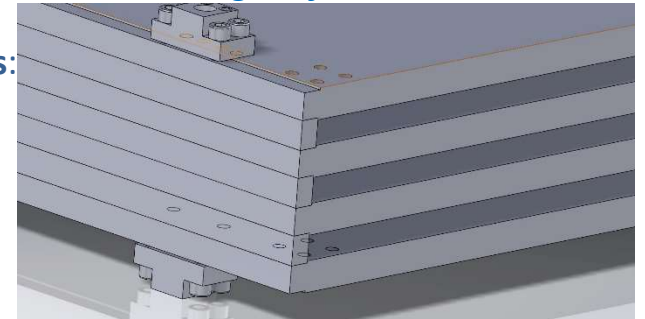
# Assembly of the Structure

## Next Welding tests

**Two identical small prototypes (PT4): 2x (4 plates 0.4x1 m<sup>2</sup>)**

Welding will be performed in functions of the results of the previous welding tests:

Complete Penetration ~10 mm  
*Greater strength of the structure.*



Pieces produced at CIEMAT and waiting at CERN for the EBW. The date needs to be decided (Could be at the end of 2017).



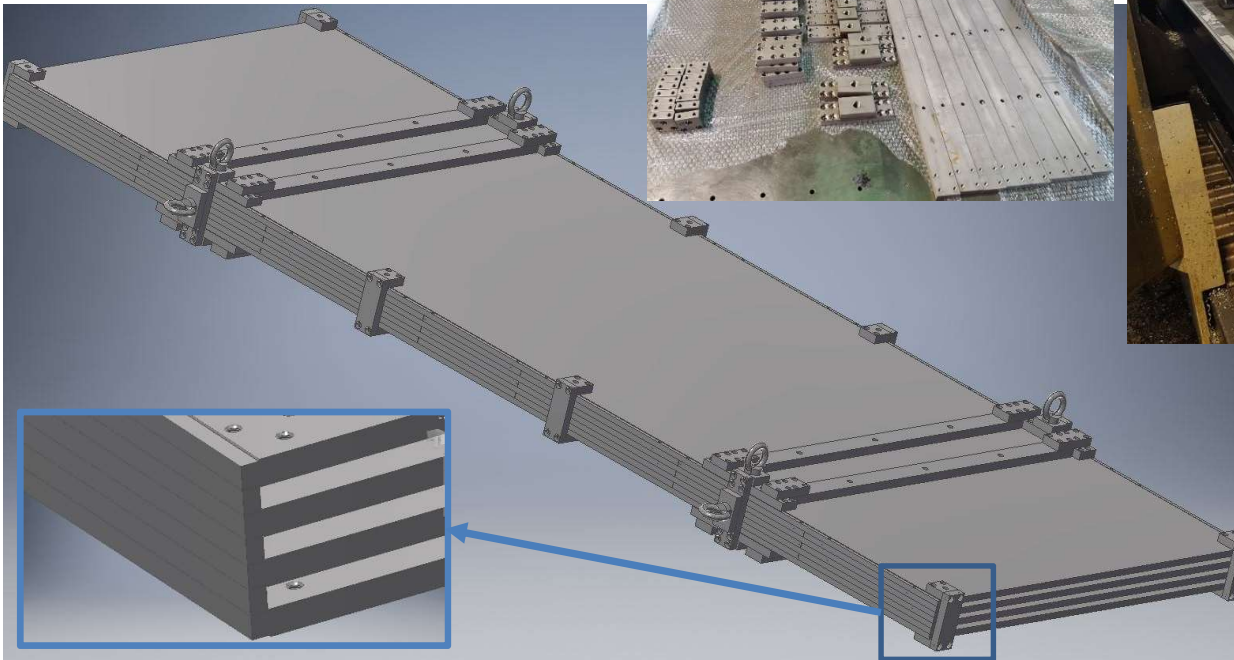
**Once validated the procedure, will be welded the big demonstrator ( plates ~3mx1m)**

# Assembly of the Structure

## Next Welding tests

### Sampling calorimeter prototype (PT3): 4 plates 3x1 m<sup>2</sup>

Welding will be performed in functions of the results of the previous welding tests:



Complete Penetration ~10 mm  
*Greater strength of the structure.*



Pieces for the demonstrator produced and waiting for the preliminary measures and assembly at Ciemat (April to June 2017).

# Next actions & Status of the final absorber structure

## Next prototypes

Small pieces for tests and the last 2 small prototypes (PT4) → Done

Start of tests with small pieces during April

(Lasts small prototypes will be welded after defined the best welding parameters with the small pieces)

## Final demonstrator

- Big Plates (~3x1m<sup>2</sup>) with planarity <1mm → Done
- Big Plates Handling and machine tool → Done
- Auxiliary pieces for fixing rigidity → Done
- Spacers → Done
- Small machining on 3x1m<sup>2</sup> plates needed for fixations and assembly → Done
- Verification of the plates and spacers → April 17
- Demonstrator assembly and preliminary measures at Ciemat → May-June 17
- Transport to CERN, Photogrammetry before EBW → to be decided with CERN (End of 17)
- EBW & photogrammetry after EBW → to be decided with CERN (beginning 2018)

## Additional tests that could be implemented with the previous prototypes

Could be welded both PT4 to create a bigger one prototype (8 plates prototype (PT5)).

Could be welded PT2 & PT1 (8 plates prototype (PT6)).

Could be welded those previous prototypes (PT5 & PT6) to create a 16 plates prototype (PT7).

# Conclusions

At present the **project advances well** according to the schedule steps needed for arriving to have the demonstrator on time

## No special problems are envisaged

(The **goal** is to **show the capabilities of this welding method**, in the project no claim was written about the expected performance going to be achieved)

## Topics:

We have created infrastructure and tools to follow with this task in the future.

We are developed technological procedures that can be translate to the companies during the fabrication of the final modules phase:

- We developed a procedure with the world leader on Roller levelers technology (ARKU), to minimize the planarity for 3 m x 1m x 15 mm Stainless Steel plates. They can supply us the European companies with the necessary machines to carry out this task.
- We are developing, in cooperation with CERN, the procedure to weld by EBW technology some of the biggest prototype expected for the future hadron calorimeter. CERN people know several European companies with the necessary machines to carry out this task.