

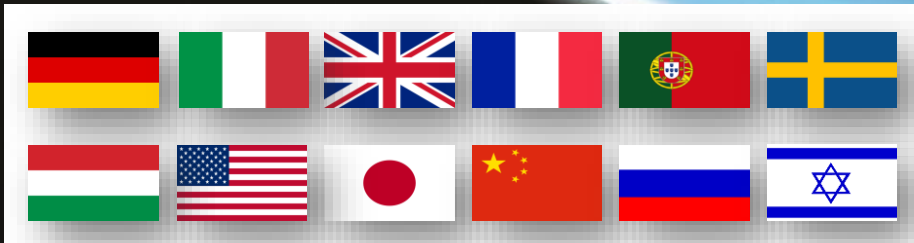
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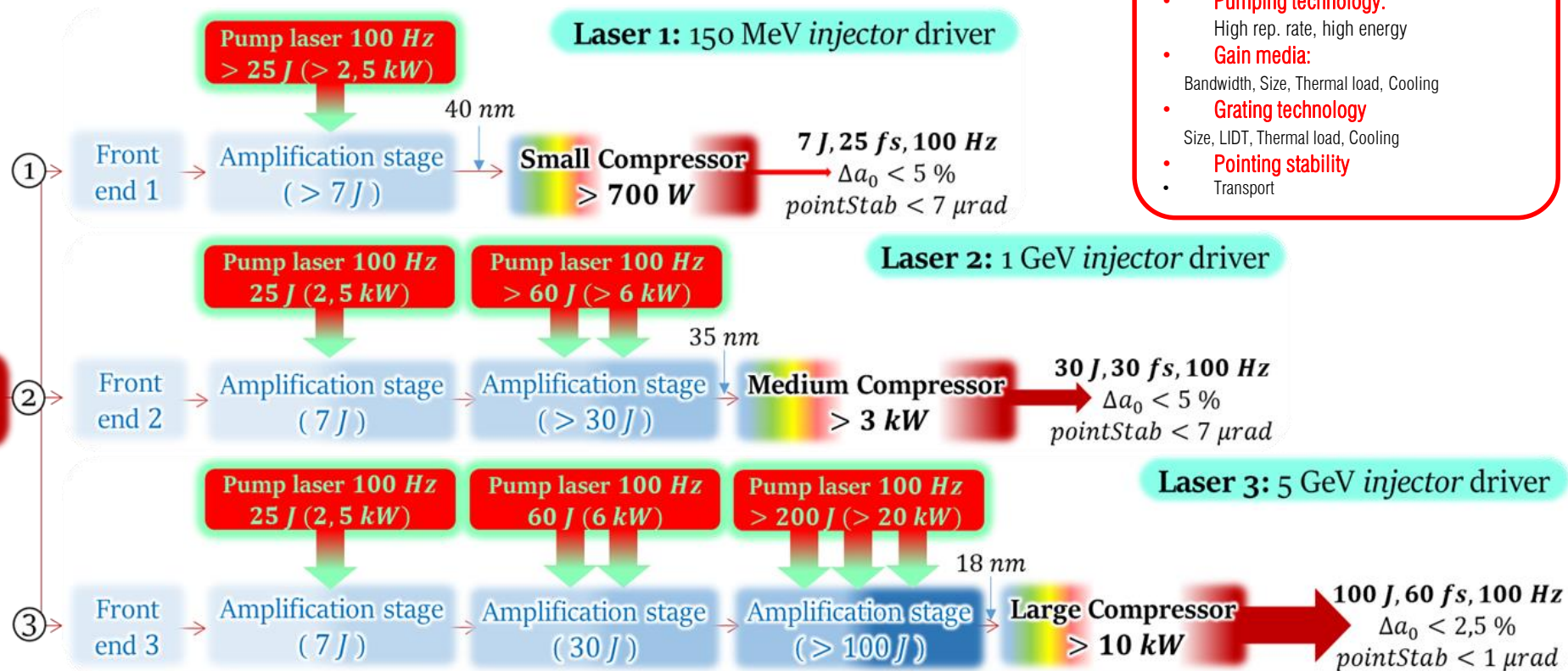
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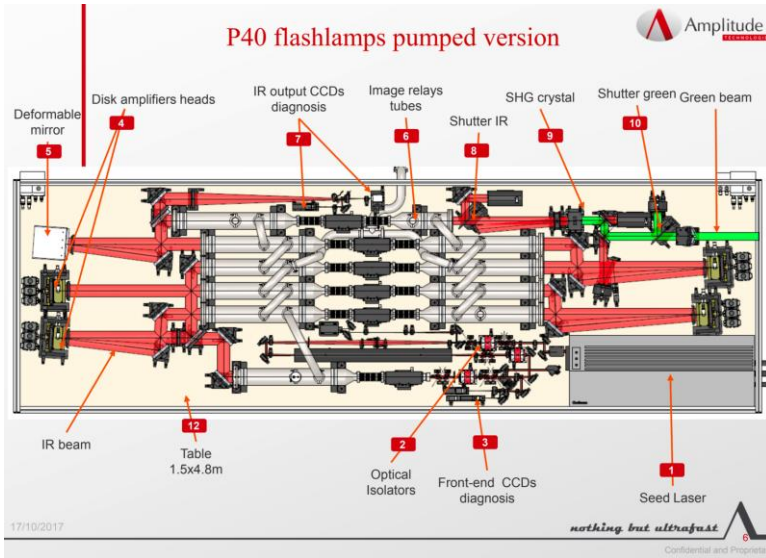
- Main EuPRAXIA laser features
- Needed key developments
- Next phase
- Conclusions

The current EuPRAXIA laser design¹ relies on mature Titanium Sapphire industrial technology to deliver average and peak power as required by the project.

A set of three laser chains are considered, to drive the injectors at 150 MeV and 1 GeV, and the accelerator at 5 GeV.



Promising developments based on diode pumping technology are in progress at EuPRAXIA industrial and research partners, progressively matching requirements



Amplitude P60

Flashlamp pumped Nd:YAG
Design: 60 J @ 10 Hz, 532 nm

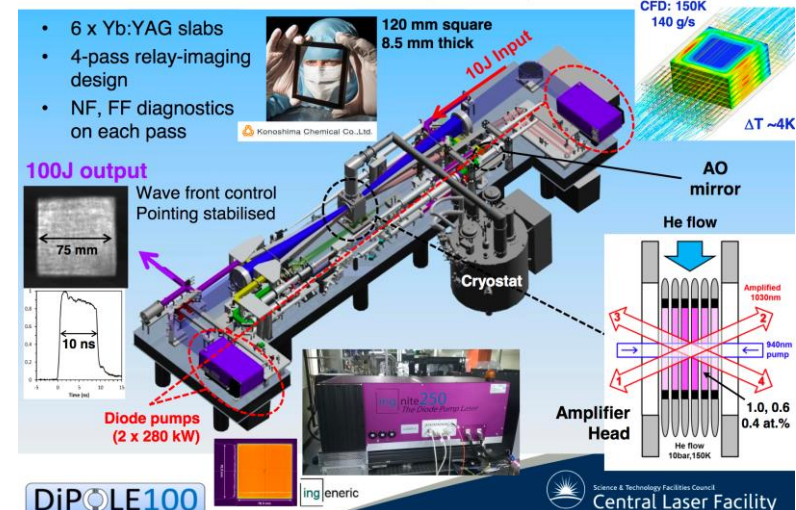
Conversion to DPSS fully designed

- Expected rep. rate 50 Hz
- Cost of diode still an issue – currently 5x compared to flashlamps.
- Expected to decrease in 5-10 yrs.
- Maintenance free operation for 25-30 yrs.

DIPOLE⁽²⁾ 100

DPSSL cryogenic HE cooling system
100 J @ 10 Hz, @515 nm

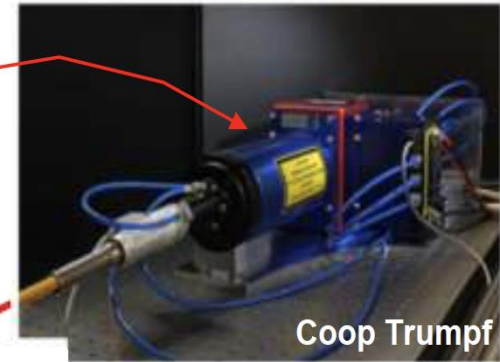
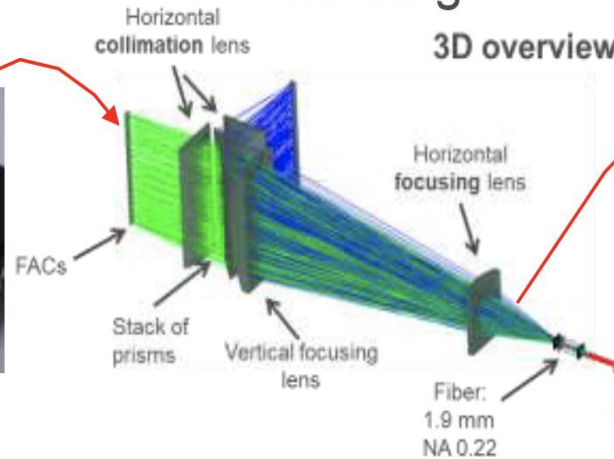
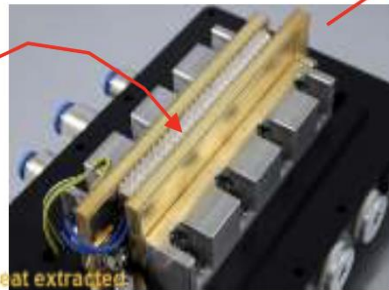
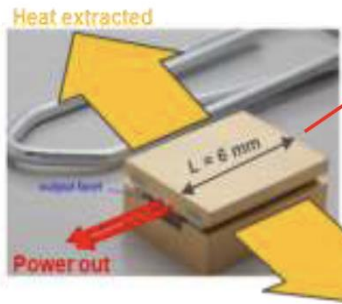
Planned developments: 10J @ 100 Hz



²⁾P. Mason et al., Kilowatt average power 100J-level diode pumped solid state laser," Optica 4, 438-439 (2017)

FBH brilliant high duty cycle pump: small-series prototype

White paper 100 Hz pump trials to assist EuPRAXIA system design (STFC, LLNL, HZDR, FBH), supported by the Institute of Quantum Optics, Friedrich-Schiller-University, Jena in Germany



130W from 1.2mm
Peak: ~ 245 W
60% efficiency
2x brighter than bars

1...20% DC
1...100ms
Passive cooling

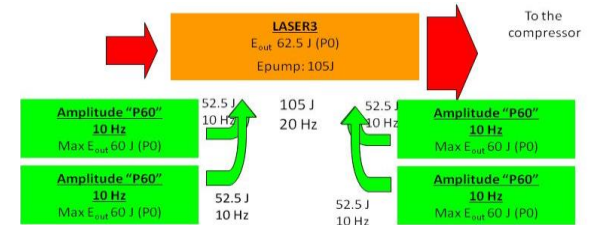
6 kW 60% efficiency
 $M^2 \sim 300 \times 300$

1.4 MW/cm²-sr
50% efficiency
 $M^2 \sim 700$

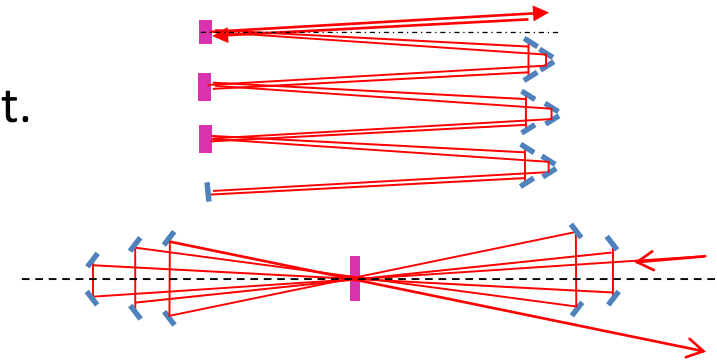
6 units delivered to Max Born Institut, Berlin; 2 in build

Main recent activities

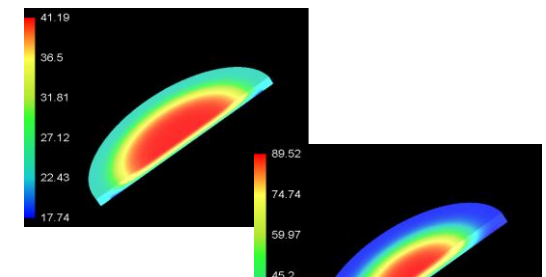
Definition of **pump sources arrays** for the various amplification stages, based on available (SCLF DIPOLE / Amplitude P60) and perspective technologies



Design of **amplifier stages layout** (both for transmission and reflection amplifiers); evaluation of required footprint. Pump delivery /timing schemes for Extraction During Pumping

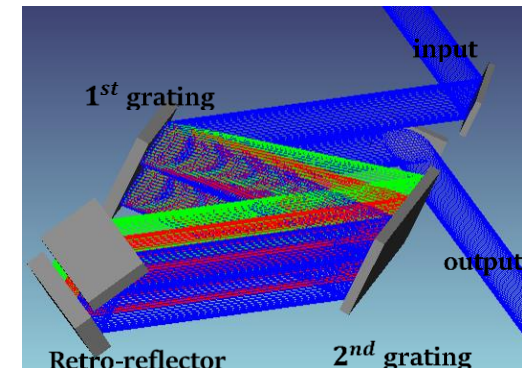
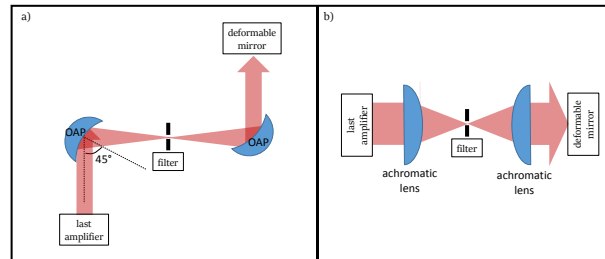
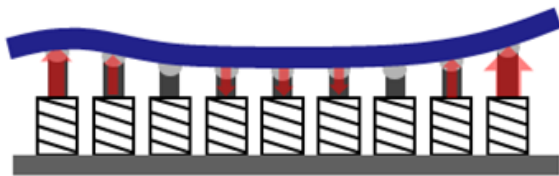
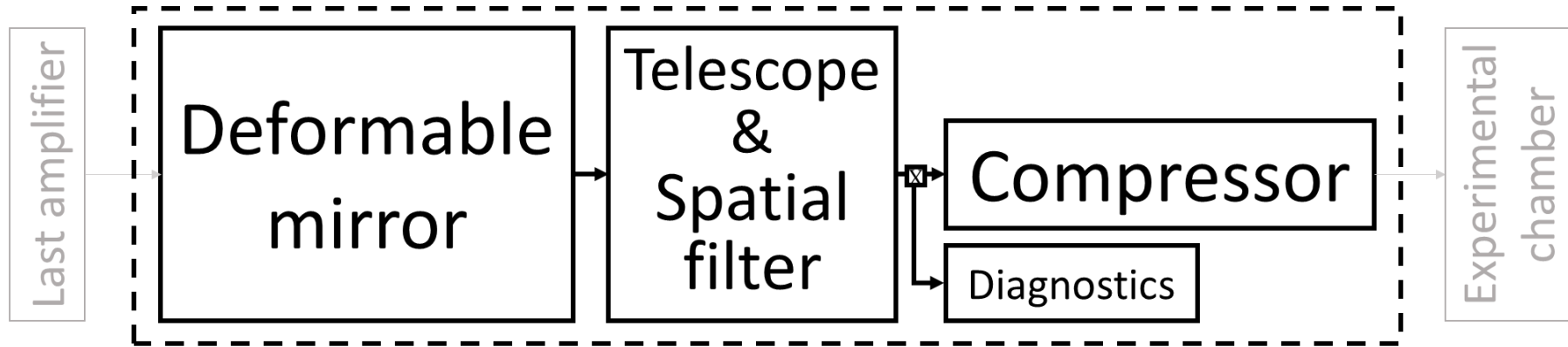


Optimization/simplification of **amplifier design** (reduction of number of stages/passes) and trade-off on thermal design



*) Water cooled Ti:Sa amplifier under development at ELI-HU (After V. Cvykov *et al.* , Opt. Lett, **41**, 3017, 2016)
) Fluid (D₂O) cooled Nd:YAG laser, 20 kW CW pump power, D₂O (After X. Fu *et al.* , Opt. Express, **22, 18421 (2014)
 ***) Fluid (Siloxane) cooled Nd:YLF laser, 5 kW CW pump power (After Z. Ye *et al.* , Opt. Express, **24**, 1758 (2016)

Main challenges: large optics, **mechanical stability**, **cooling of gratings**, beam quality control ...



Different technologies under evaluation to address main issues with higher repetition rate. Strategy includes **reduction** of the thermal load at high average power, **cooling** of residual heat and **control** of thermal effects on compression quality.

Gold Coated Grating Cooling
(BK7 and ULE substrates)
for allowing higher thermal load

Measured Surface Height Deviation (nm)

Gold Coated Grating without epoxy resin (Photoresist-Free)
for lower thermal stress

MD Gratings
Metal Dielectric Gratings

MLD gratings
MultiLayer Dielectric Gratings.
The biggest one is 91cm x 42cm large

MMLD Gratings
Metal MultiLayer Dielectric Gratings

- Prototyping of Ti:Sa amplifiers
- Addressing 100 Hz pump lasers developments
- Thermal management of compressor gratings
- Stability (pointing & more) and active control
- Driver pulse temporal shaping and synchronization
- Construction
- Integration Issues
- ...

Please fill in excel file (Ralph's message on 28 June) if you can contribute to these items.

Rec12. Broaden the dialogue to other WPs (e.g. WP2, WP5, WP14) to inform on design space, specifically on critical parameters (e.g. a0 vs power/focal area). **Effective interaction with WP2/3**

Rec13. Explore **feasibility of timing precision and jitter** requirements provided by WP2 and WP3, and how it can be verified at the target. **Work in progress at Desy**

Rec14. Develop a better understanding of **pointing requirements** and metrics, specifically how they are coupled to the facility. **Building DB of pointing performance at facilities**

Rec15. Develop a strategic **technology roadmap** that supports the overarching performance goals of EuPRAXIA. Get guidance on technology demonstrator vs science facility. Maintain perspective of technologies that can scale. **Work in progress – requires additional funding**

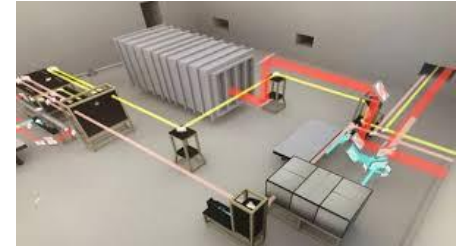
Rec16. Given the timescales on how much technology development is required, how long does it take, and when construction of a system could start, identify **risk reduction experiments** that add credibility to the feasibility of certain technologies. **Experiments identified**

Rec17. Develop a crisp risk matrix for each technology approach, **identify bottlenecks** and areas where risk reduction experiments are needed. Identify synergetic efforts between technology paths. **Set of bottlenecks identified and being explored**

Rec18. Use **technical readiness levels** for the integrated laser system concepts (not individual components) to assess and compare maturity of each solution. **In progress in collaboration with industry**

D4.1 (M12) Benchmarking of existing technologies and comparison with EuPRAXIA requirements

Explore and identify promising technologies

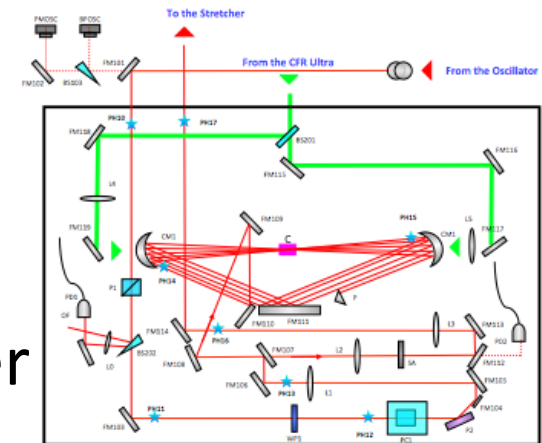


D4.2 (M24) Preliminary laser design

To be developed with an eye to perspective industrial development

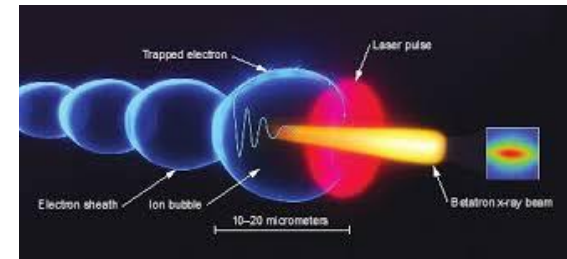
D4.3 (M24) Preliminary design of transverse functions

To account for final use of EuPRAXIA (user facility)



D4.4 (M36) Final requirements of laser system

To comfortably accommodate LWFA design and other laser based activities

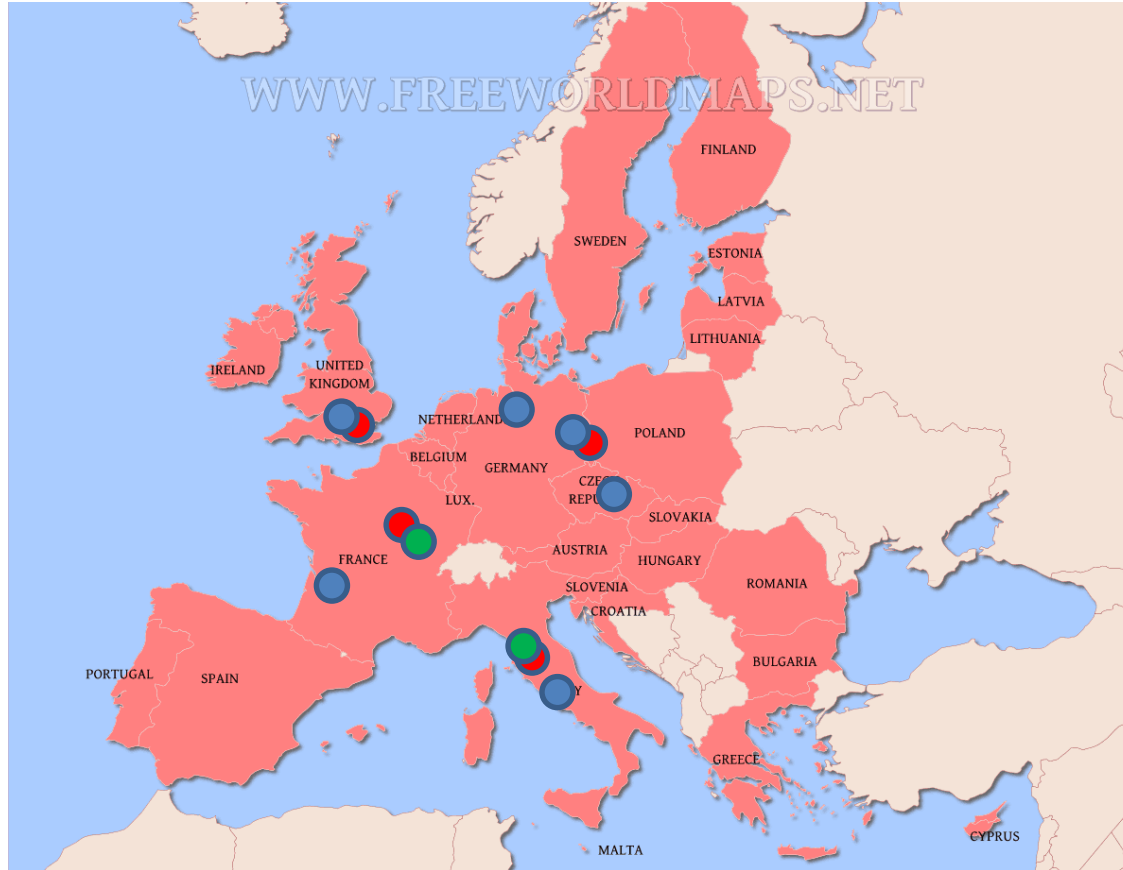


D4.5 (M36) Control command design system

To enable turn-key-like operation of the laser system



A wide collaboration is ready to be involved to tackle open issues



- EuPRAXIA aiming at PW-kW laser system driver, well beyond current state-of-the-art;
- Design phase ongoing: preliminary design going technical;
- Also considering evolution towards higher repetition rate;
- Significant development activities and funding needed to solve standing technical issues;
- Now collecting proposals from contributing groups for next phase.

16 Participants



22 Associated Partners

(as of October 2016)

