

# Research activities in Electronics for High Energy Physics (ELHEP) Group

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# Electronics for High Energy Physics Laboratory (ELHEP Laboratory)

## Staff:

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- Ryszard Romaniuk, DsC, PhD – photonics expert
- Maciej Linczuk, PhD – DSP algorithms
- Wojciech Zabołotny, PhD – FPGA & DSP implementation
- Grzegorz Kasprowicz, PhD – fast & multichannel hardware designer, project manager
- Andrzej Wojenski , PhD – FPGA, embedded systems specialist
- Rafał Krawczyk , PhD – DSP specialist, high performance computing
- Radosław Cieszewski, FPGA, C/C++ specialist
- 13 PhD students, >30 BSc and MSc students

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## Scientific activities:

- 1991 – 2002: ZEUS, HERA DESY, Hamburg, Germany
- 2002 – 2007: TESLA, Desy, Accelerators, Free Electron Laser
- 1995 – now: CMS, LHC CERN, Geneva, Switzerland
- 2002 – now: FP6 / FP7 - CARE (Coordinated Accelerator Research in Europe)
- 2001 – now: ASTROPHYSICS - PI of the sky scientific project
- 2009 – 2016: EFDA JET (ITER prototype) Nuclear Synthesis Reactor (UK)
- 2012 – now: CBM,GSI (Germany)
- 2012 – 2016: LNLS(Brasil)
- 2014 – 2016: MAST upgrade (UK), WEST
- 2014 – now: Electronic equipment for Optogenetics
- 2014 – now: EUROFUSION – WEST tokamak SXR diagnostics -plasma tomography
- 2015 – now: Hardware and DSP(FPGA) for passive radars
- 2016 – now: ARTIQ - Advanced Real-Time Infrastructure for Quantum physics
- 2017 – now: HyperSat – modular, versatile satellite platform

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## Commercial activities:

- Several successful projects with companies
  - space
  - passive radars
  - scientific instrumentation
  - surveillance
  - dependable computing
  - high speed FPGA – based DSP
  - data acquisition
  - industrial measurement and control
  - time synchronisation

# Electronics for High Energy Physics Laboratory (ELHEP Laboratory)

## ELHEP team skills and area of interest

- **Optoelectronic terabit technologies**
  - very fast & synchronous data transmission
- **Photonics**
  - high speed, scientific grade CCD cameras with online processing
- **FPGA technologies**
  - hardware & firmware design, multi-FPGA systems, radiation tollerant
- **DSP technologies**
  - DSP processors & DSP in FPGA designs, real-time algorithms
- **PCB design (multi GHz)**
  - multilayer EMC/SI verified and tested
- **Testing**
  - EMC/SI simulation and measurements
  - HW & software, dependable computing
- **Space projects** – nanosatellites, onboard computers, star trackers, multispectral & hyperspectral imaging. Cooperation with PWSAT2 team and CBK. Several space-related Thesis ongoing.

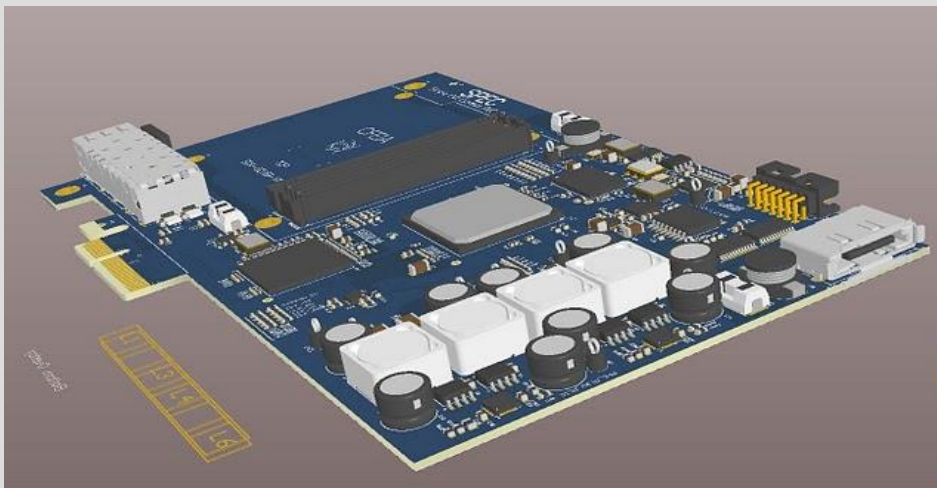
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## Technical equipment:

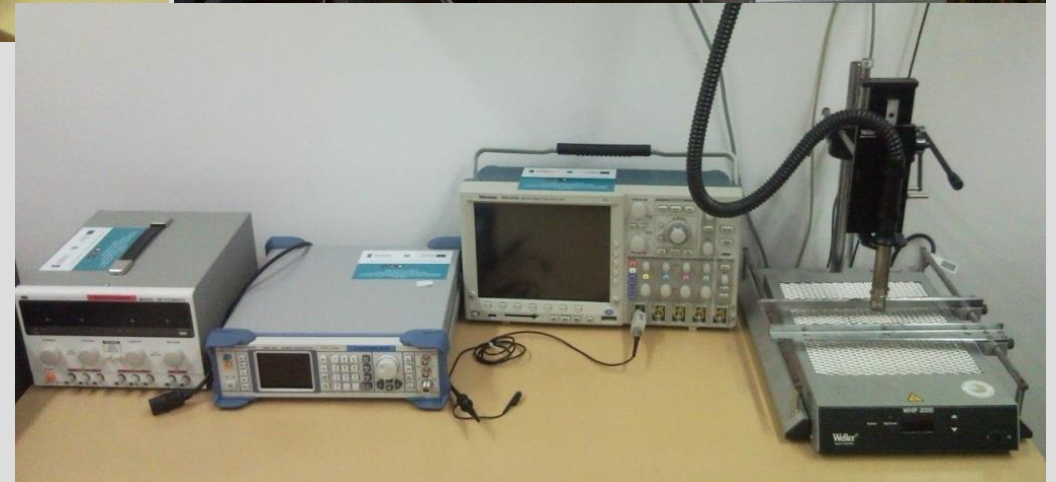
- **2012-2016 hardware investment: over 1 MEUR**
- **FPGA developing hardware**
  - Evaluation Boards with FPGAs & DSP processors including recent technologies
  - NanoBoard modules for FPGA prototyping
- **Scopes**
  - several 60, 20, 5, 1GHz, Analogue and Mixed Signal
- **SI laboratory**
  - CS8200 analyser (70GHz Main-Frame) + modules
- **EMC lab**
  - Emtest equipment
- **Generators**
  - arbitrary Analogue and Mixed Signal, RF up to 3GHz
- Other tools: bench supplies, programmers, VNA,
- **Solder & assembly**
  - Pick and Place, 4-zone reflow oven
- **Software**
  - CAD software (Code Composer, Matlab, ISE, Quartus II, Questa, Vivado)
  - PCB design software (Altium Designer, Hyper Lynx, Expedition PCB)

## Selected, space related, ELHEP Group Activities

- Photonics – CCD detectors (Pi of the Sky)
- Accelerators diagnostic and control (CERN, LNLS, GSI)
- Detectors (CMS, CBM)
- Tokamaks (JET, MAST, ToreSupra (WEST))
- Embedded systems (DSP, ARM CPU, FPGA)
- Time synchronisation (WR)



# ELHEP laboratory equipment



PCB and Hardware  
development



# CCD cameras for Pi of the Sky project

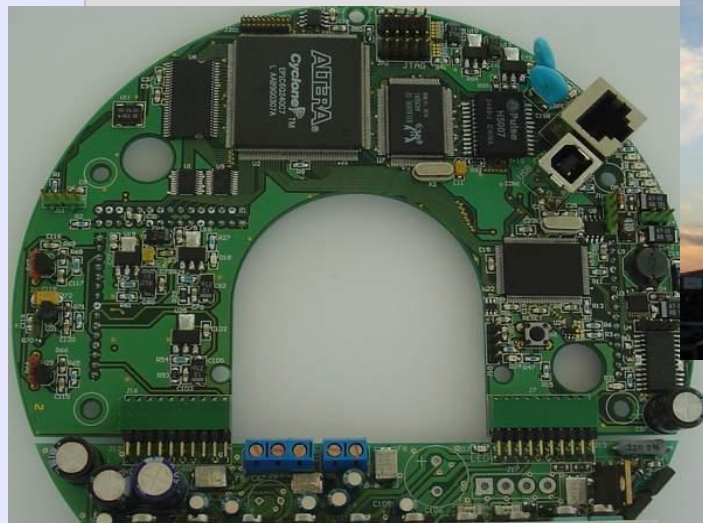
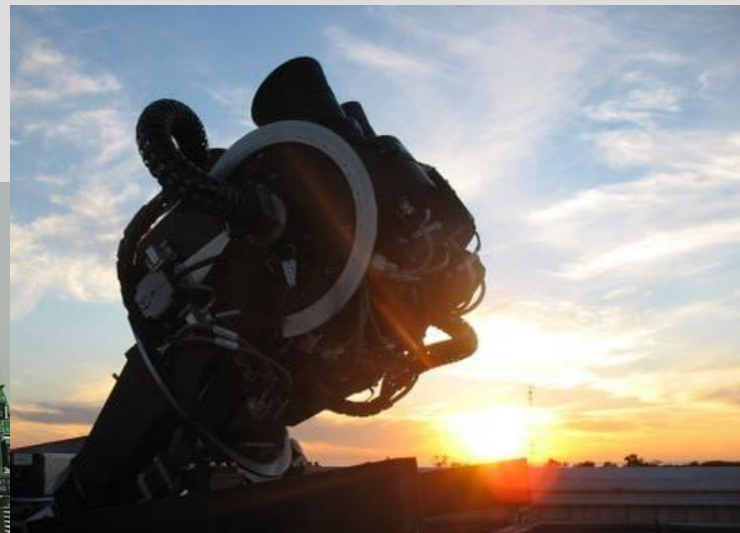
**Search for GRB events**

**All visible sky**

**On-line analysis**

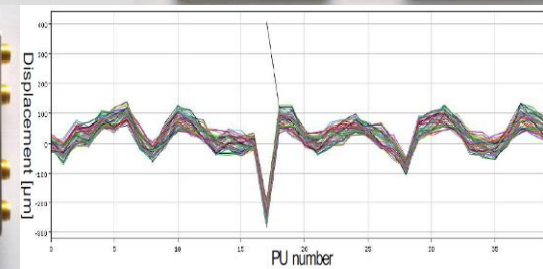
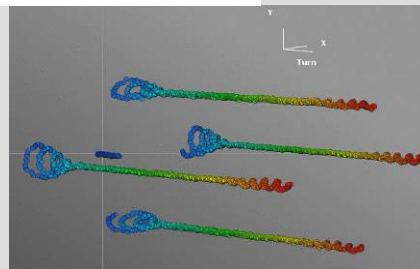
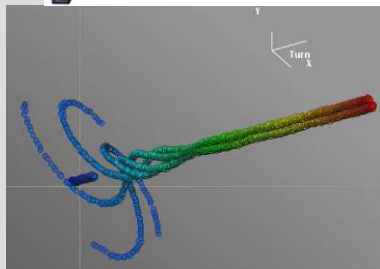
**Leading project of polish science**

**Publication in Nature (2008)**



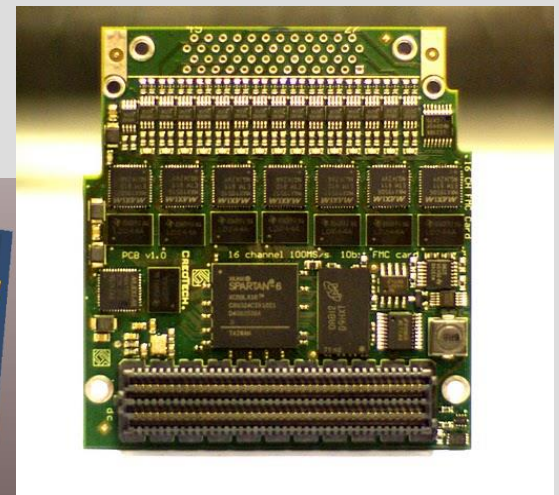
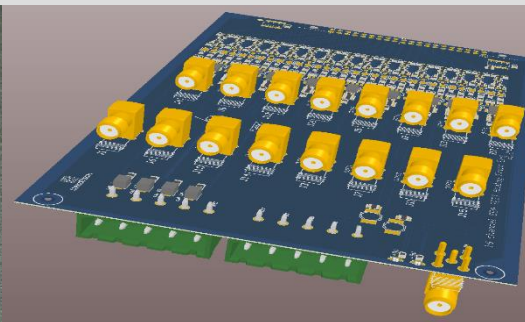
# MTCA electronics for accelerators diagnostics

- Beam position, orbit and detector processing systems for :
  - CERN PS, CMS (Switzerland),
  - GSI Cryring, CBM (Germany)
  - LNL Sirius (Brasil)
- **Development of MTCA standard for LLRF, high performance computing and precision timing**

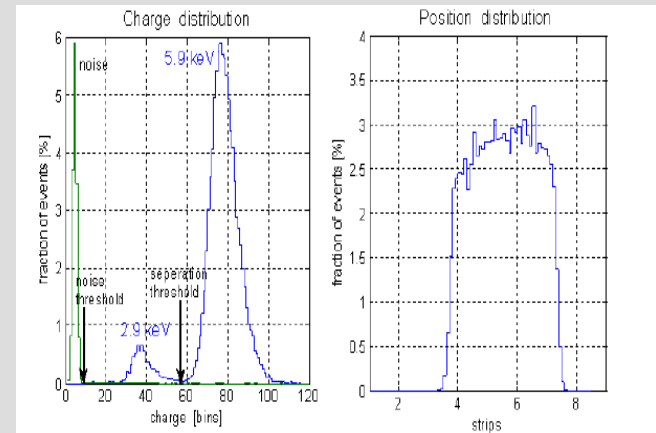
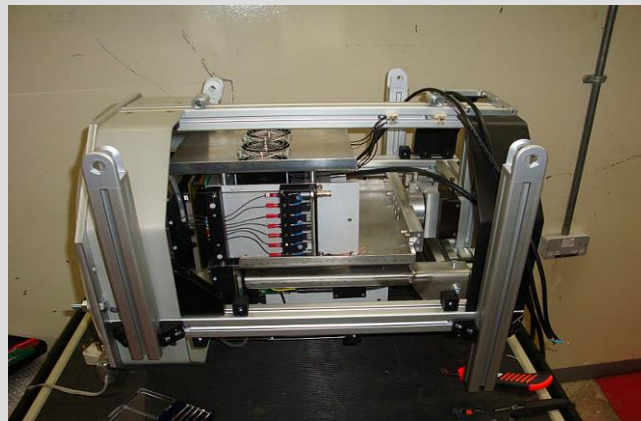
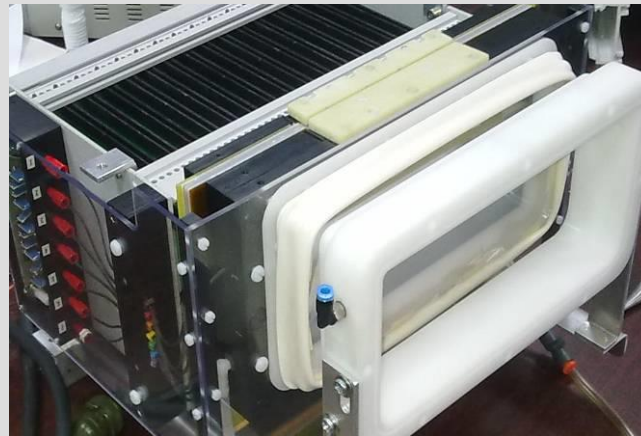


## Detector and electronic systems for Tokamaks

- EFDA JET Tokamak plasma impurity measurement system – X-ray spectrometer for W(Tungsten) and Ni (Nickel) energy ranges (2.4keV, 7.8 keV). 512 channel, 100MS/s measurement system for GEM detectors
- ToreSupra 2D and 3D (future) high intensity plasma X-ray tomography
- MAST (Mega Ampere Spherical Tokamak) upgrade – control and monitoring of superconductor magnets
- 2D high definition, GEM-based large-format X-ray camera
- Possible applications in space – i.e. SOLPEX polarimeter

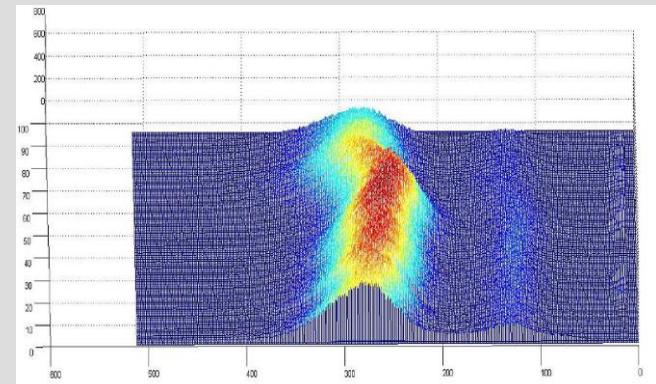


# GEM Detectors – SXR spectrometer at JET



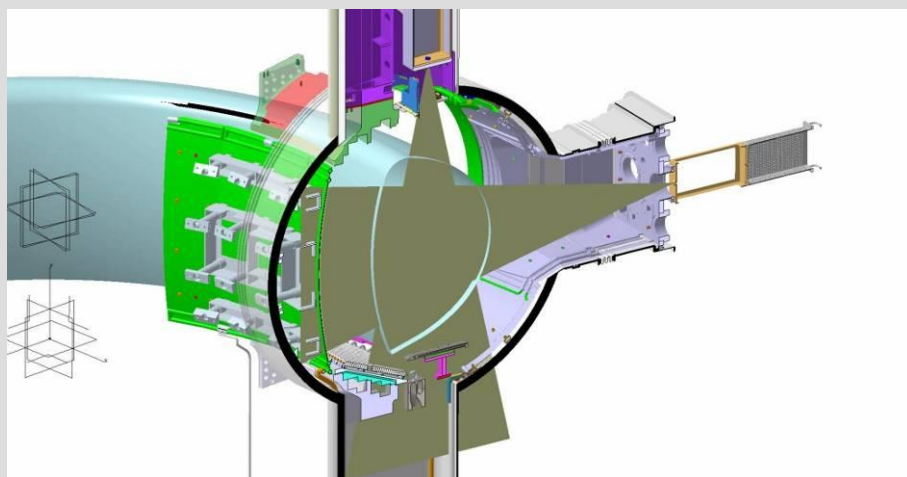
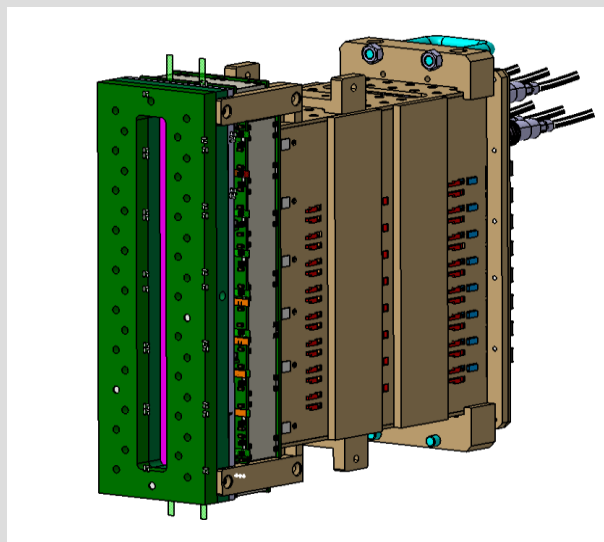
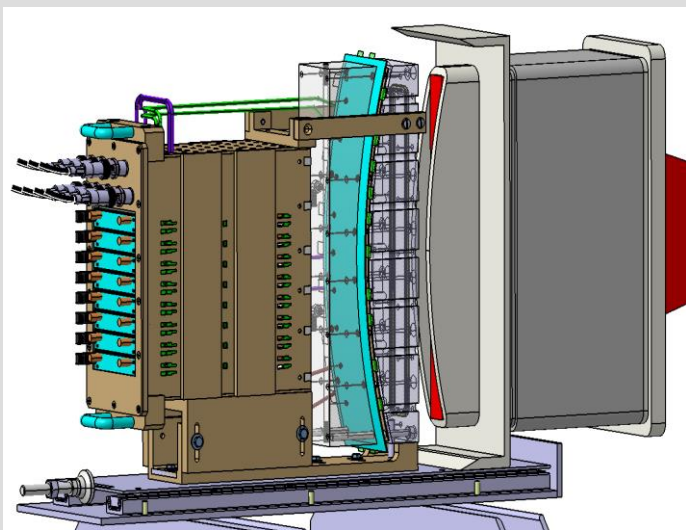
Collected charge distribution (left) and reconstructed position distribution within anode strips (right)

$U_{ind} = 1250V$ ,  $U_{GEMs} = 350, 370, 390V$ ,  $U_{trans} = 700V$ ,  $U_{drift} = 1500V$



2D map individual histograms for each readout channel for Fe radiation source, HV = 5550 V

# GEM-based large format X-ray detectors for plasma tomography



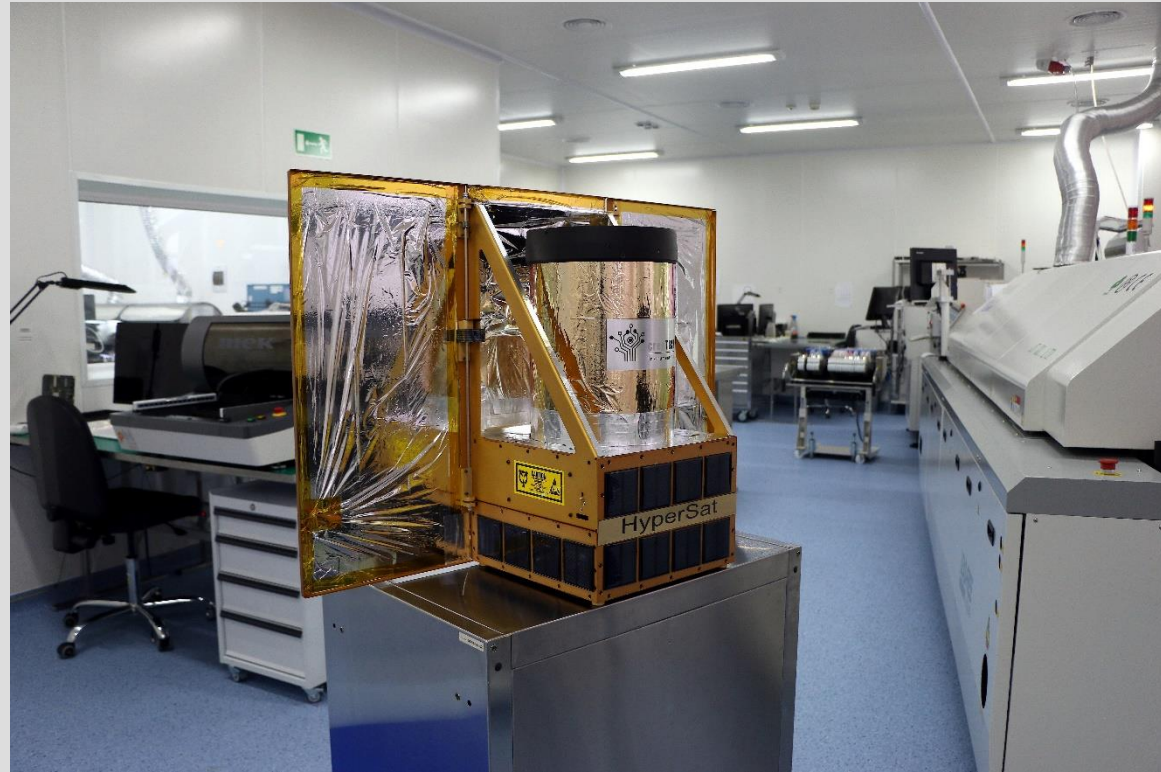
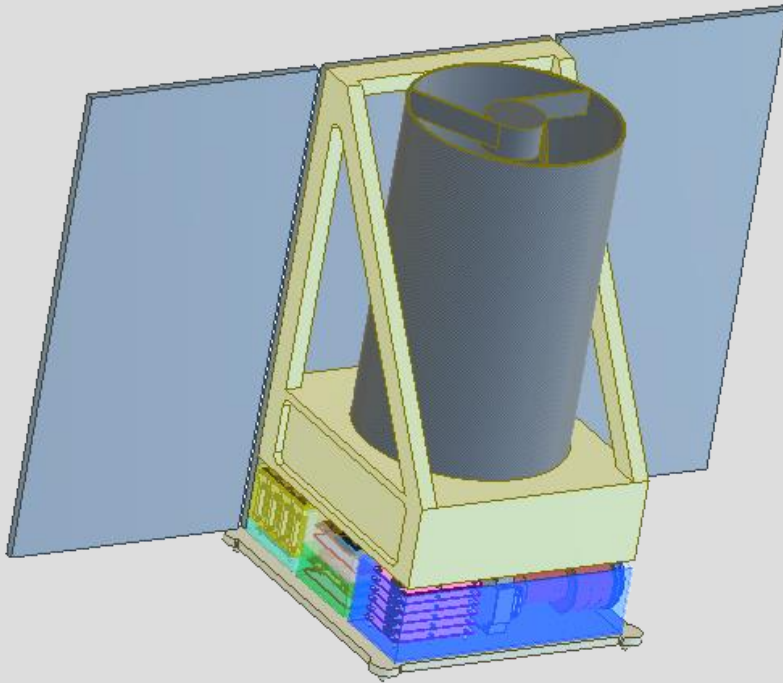
## White Rabbit development

- Extensible measurement and control platform based on Gigabit Ethernet, SyncE and IEEE1588 protocol
- Provides sub-nanosecond synchronisation
  - Developed with CERN and also several companies and scientific organisations
- Precise frequency distribution with <20ps jitter
  - Less than 1 frame per year lost
    - Deterministic timing
    - Reliability, redundancy
      - Up to 2000 nodes
  - WR-SYNTEF project for ESA with CTI

# White Rabbit development



## HyperSat platform

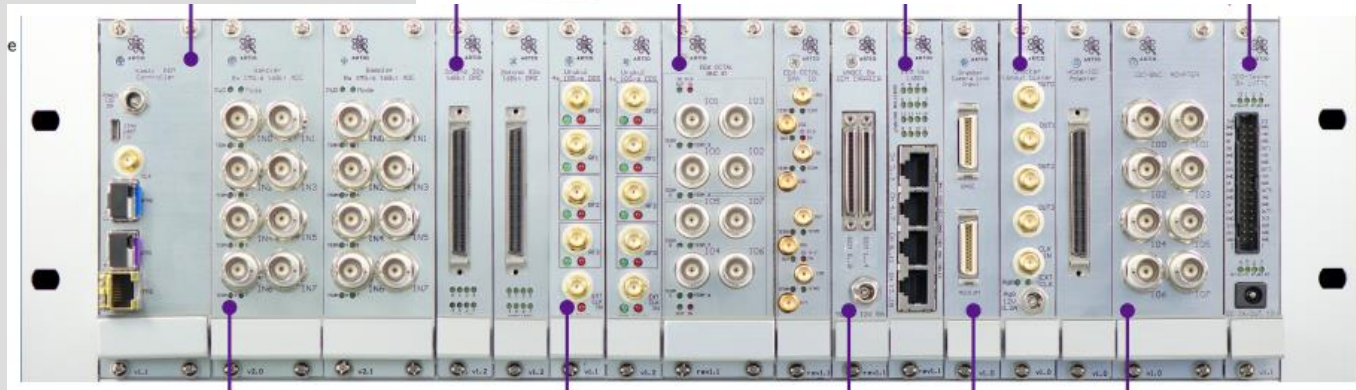
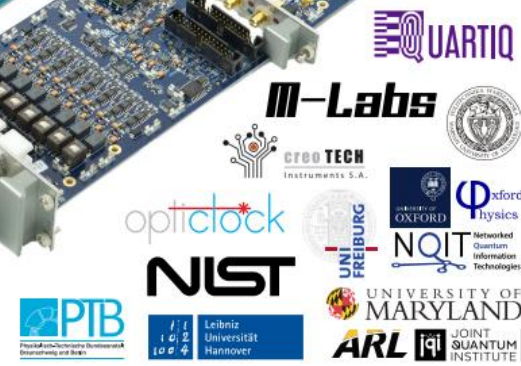
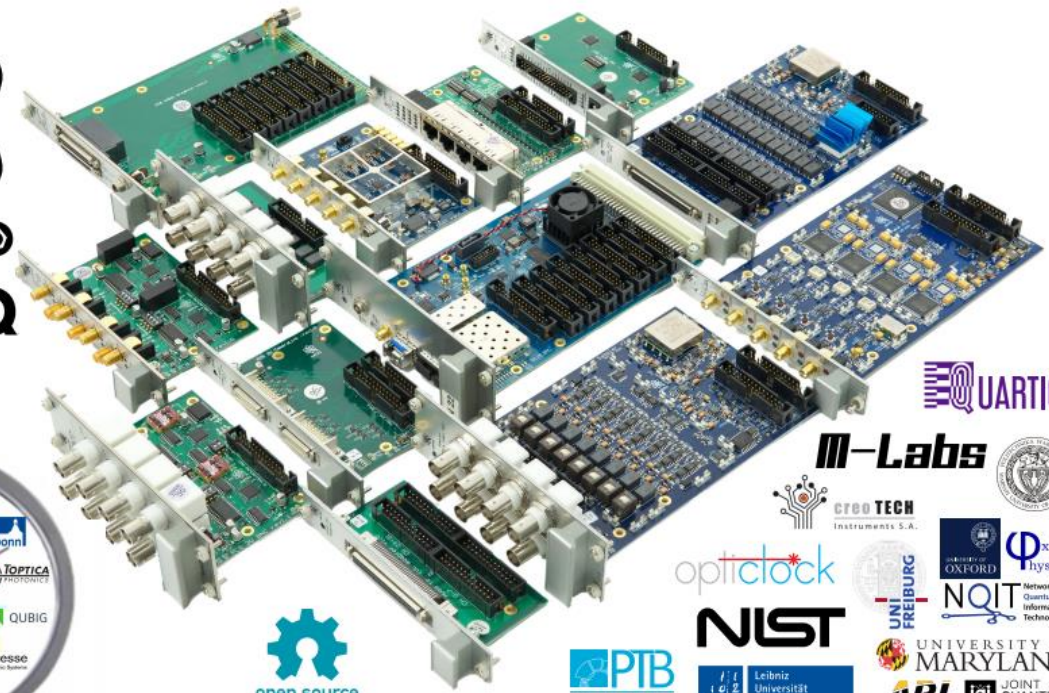


- Modular, versatile platform for specialized instruments.
- For pico and nano-satelites called CubeSat.
- Size: from 30x30x10cm to 30x30x60cm. Weight: 10-60kg.



# ARTIQ and Sinara

- Advanced Real-Time Infrastructure for Quantum Physics.
- SINARA – open hardware ecosystem.



## Summary

### **ELHEP laboratory provides complete design services:**

- system conception
- algorithm evaluation
- hardware design
- FPGA and DSP implementation
- software coding
- professional HW production (cooperation with external companies)
- hardware commissioning
- intense in-field testing
- documentation

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