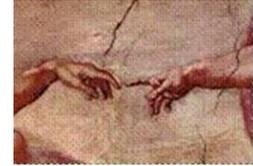




ASPERA Common Call

ET R&D

Networking and R&D for the Einstein Telescope



Meeting Minutes

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Title of the Meeting:	First general meeting, Telecon,
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Date:	08/03/2013
Location (or phone)	phone

Participants

01	Harald Lück (author of the notes)	02	Christian Schwarz
03	Jerome Degallaix	04	Jo van den Brand
05	Sean Leavey	06	Tomasz Bulik
07	Andreas Freise	08	Michele Punturo
09	Sheila Rowan	10	Sathyaprakash
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At this first meeting some participants were missing due to an unfortunate coincidence of a Russian national holiday with this meeting date. Sergey Vyatchanin tried to connect by evo but did not succeed. Sheila Rowan being connected via phone bridge experienced some connection problems. We decided to all use the Seevogh research network client next time in the hope that a homogeneous environment avoids some of the problems.

The official starting dates of the individual national projects comprising this ASPERA project vary a bit. The current status is the following:

In Germany the proposed starting date is 1.3.2013, but we do not have written approval yet, only verbal assurance that it will work out the right way.

In the UK the starting date is 1.4.2013 and written approval of the project exists.

In the Netherlands the starting date is rather flexible; no written but verbal confirmation of the project is given.

In Poland the starting date will be the date when the agreement will be signed which is expected to happen soon, around April 1st. Verbal approval of the project is given.

We presently do not know about the Russian status.

I had been asked by ASPERA what the official starting date of our ET R&D project will be. After this telecon I will report back that the starting date of the ASPERA project (NOT the individual national ones) will be April 1st 2013. This will set the dates for our reporting duties.

We shortly went through the status and planning of the various working groups:

WG1: Sathya had a meeting in Cardiff with some INDIGO people where also ET R&D participants were present. He is planning to visit the Polish groups in April and discuss work distribution and plans ahead. The WG1 ET team is currently in the second phase of the Mock Data Challenge (MDC). In general terms work in WG1 is now starting

WG2: Jo reported that the group has fabricated components for an array for seismic measurements and mentioned that 30 units have been made. He is planning to perform long term measurements at the Hungarian site. Michele reported that data taking on (under; in) Sardegna is being continued and that this team effort will be merged into the ET R&D investigations. Correlations between the various measurements will be analysed.

WG3: Ronny is currently on holidays and will start organizing the WG3 work once he returned.

WG4: Andreas reported that work in WG4 will start soon.

We will try out a frequency for these general telecom meetings of one per month. Should we experience that this is not enough or too frequent we will adjust according to the needs.

The date for the next meeting will hence be April 12th 2013, 11:30 CET.

Connecting instructions will be sent in due time.

This will then be the first meeting of the collaboration after the ASPERA project will have started and after all national projects should have officially started.