

# ESO: 2017+



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## Mission

- ✧ Develop + operate world-class observing facilities for astronomical research
- ✧ Organise collaborations in astronomy

1962

- ✧ ESO created by five Member States
  - ✧ Belgium, France, Germany, Sweden, The Netherlands
- ✧ Goal: build a large telescope in southern hemisphere
  - ✧ This became the 3.6-m telescope on La Silla (1976)

2016

- ✧ 15+1 Member States (~30% of world's astronomers)
- ✧ VLT on Paranal is world-class ground-based system
- ✧ ALMA (in partnership) on Chajnantor heading towards full operations
- ✧ Construction of 39-m E-ELT on Armazones has started





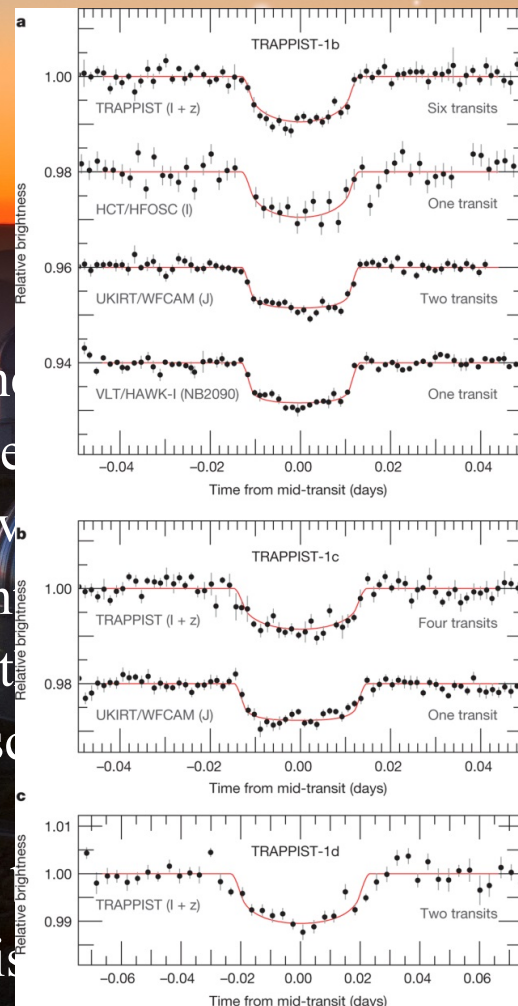
# La Silla

## New instrumentation

- ✧ 3.6-m strengthened further
- ✧ HARPS laser frequency
- ✧ NIRPS GTO approved
- ✧ NTT focused on transients
- ✧ SOXS selected for the
- ✧ Should ensure exciting science

## Small telescopes/robots operated

- ✧ 2.2-m MPG, 1.5-m Danish
- BlackGEM, ...



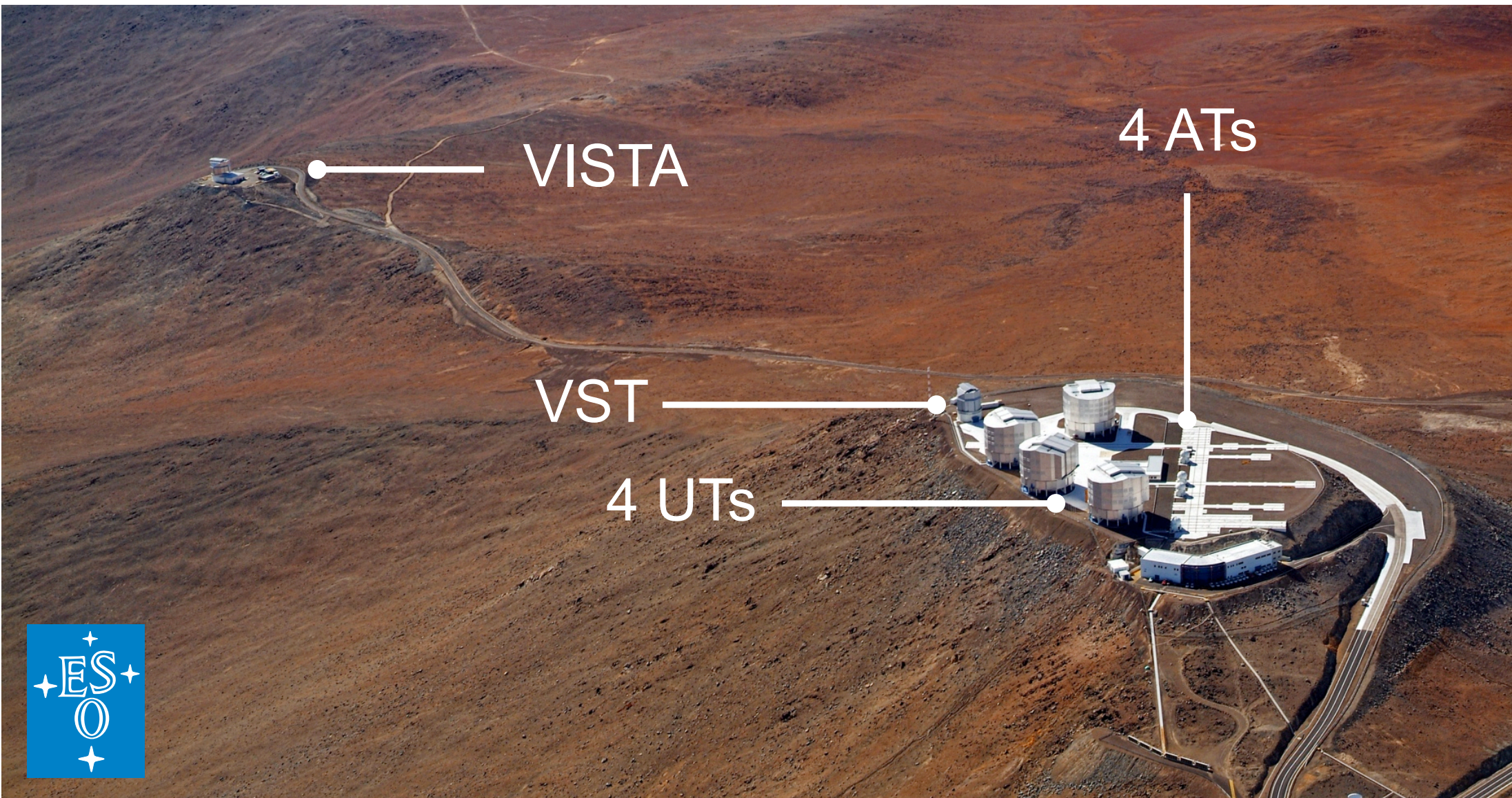
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m/s RVs  
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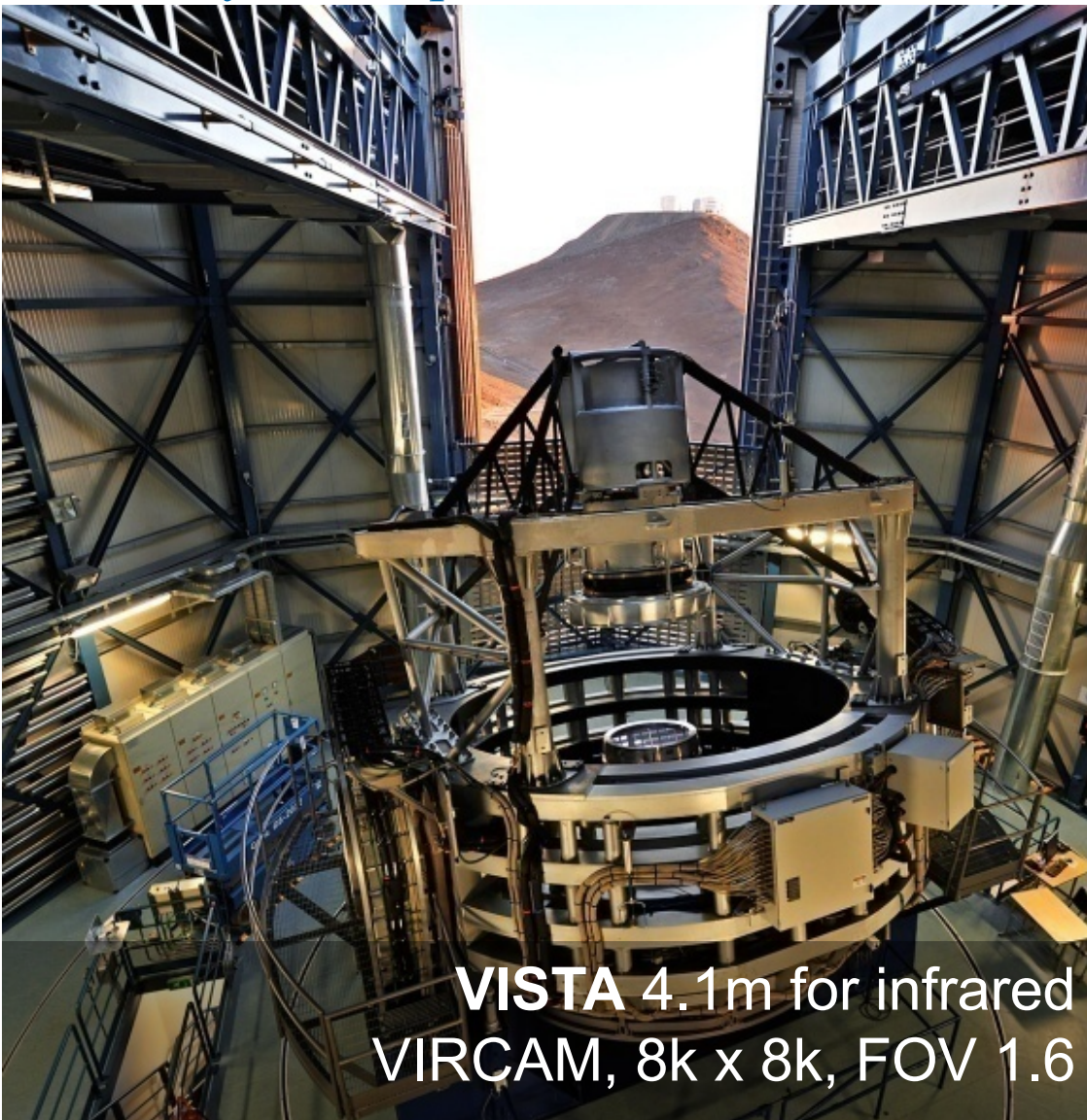


# Paranal





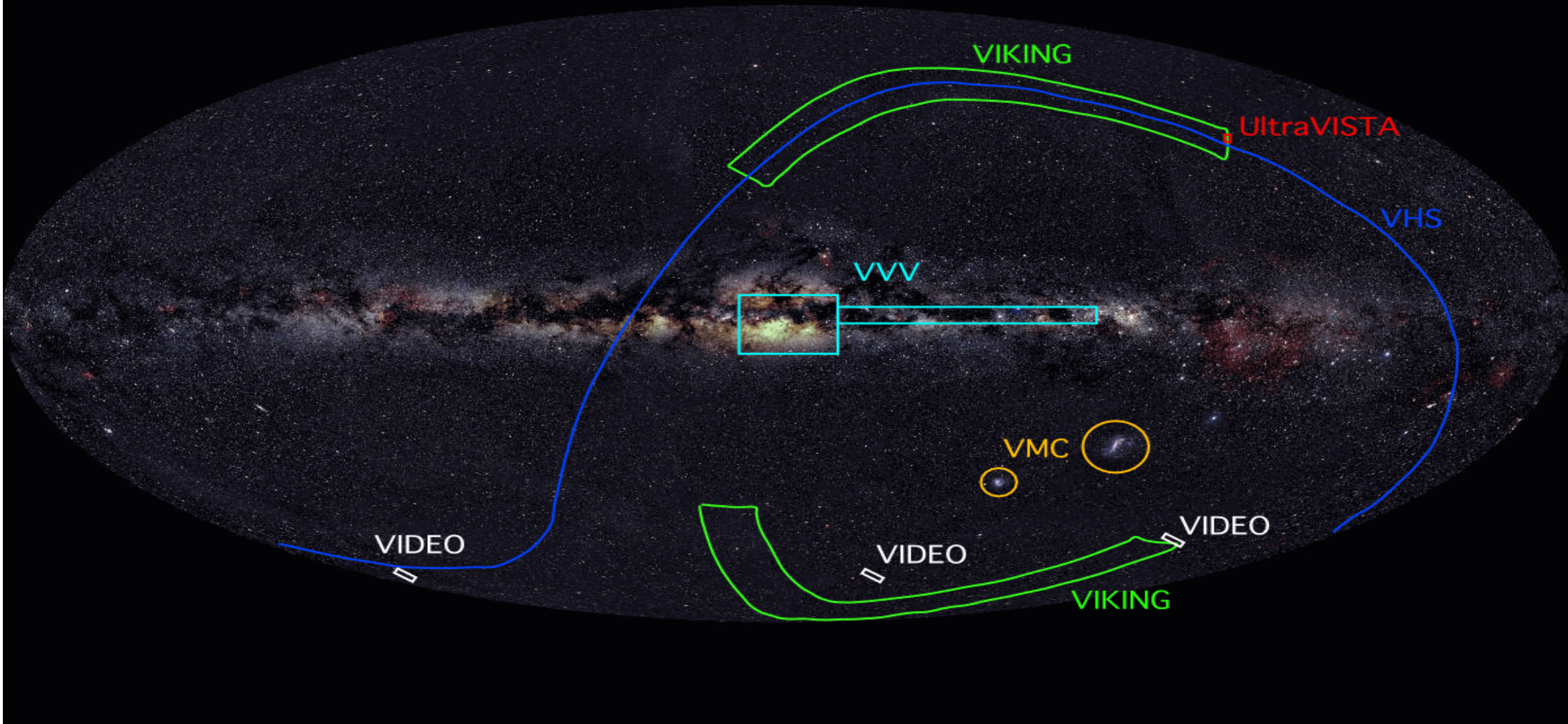
## Survey telescopes





## Existing VISTA Public Surveys – began 2010 April

*VISTA PS*





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Survey	Science topic	Area (deg <sup>2</sup> )	Filters	Magnitude limits	Observing time completed (hrs) to April 1 <sup>st</sup> 2016
Ultra-VISTA <a href="http://home.strw.leidenuniv.nl/~ultravista/">http://home.strw.leidenuniv.nl/~ultravista/</a>	Deep high z	1.7 deep 0.73 ultra deep	Y J H Ks NB118	25.7 25.5 25.1 24.5 26.7 26.6 26.1 25.6 26.0	1598
VHS <a href="http://www.ast.cam.ac.uk/~grh/vhs/">http://www.ast.cam.ac.uk/~grh/vhs/</a>	Full accessible sky	17800	Y J H Ks	21.2 21.1 20.6 20.0	3730
VIDEO <a href="http://www.astro.physics.ox.ac.uk/~video/">http://www.astro.physics.ox.ac.uk/~video/</a>	Moderately deep high z	12	Z Y J H Ks	25.7 24.6 24.5 24.0 23.5	1483
VVV <a href="http://vvsurvey.org/">http://vvsurvey.org/</a>	Galactic MW	560	Z Y J H Ks	21.9 21.1 20.2 18.2 18.1	2157/Completed
VIKING <a href="http://www.astro.wisc.org/projects/VIKING/">http://www.astro.wisc.org/projects/VIKING/</a>	Extragalactic	1500	Z Y J H Ks	23.1 22.3 22.1 21.5 21.2	2194/Completed
VMC <a href="http://star.herts.ac.uk/~andrew/vmc/">http://star.herts.ac.uk/~andrew/vmc/</a>	Resolved SFH	180	Y J Ks	21.9 21.4 20.3	1529





## New VISTA Public Surveys – to begin 2017 April

Survey name P.I.	Short Title	Filters	Time (hrs)	Area (deg <sup>2</sup> )
GW; Tanvir	Kilonova counterparts to Gravitational wave sources	Y J Ks	420	(10)
UltraVISTA; Dunlop	Completing the legacy of UltraVISTA	J H Ks	756	0.75
VVVX; Minniti	Extending VVV to higher Gal lat.	J H Ks	1900	1700
VEILS; Banerji	VISTA Extragalactic Infrared Survey	J Ks	1180	12
CAV; Nonino	Clusters at VIRCAM	Y J Ks	560	72
VISIONS; Alves	VISTA star formation atlas	J H Ks	553	70.5
SHARKS; Oteo	Southern Herschel-Atlas Regions K-band survey	Ks	1200	300

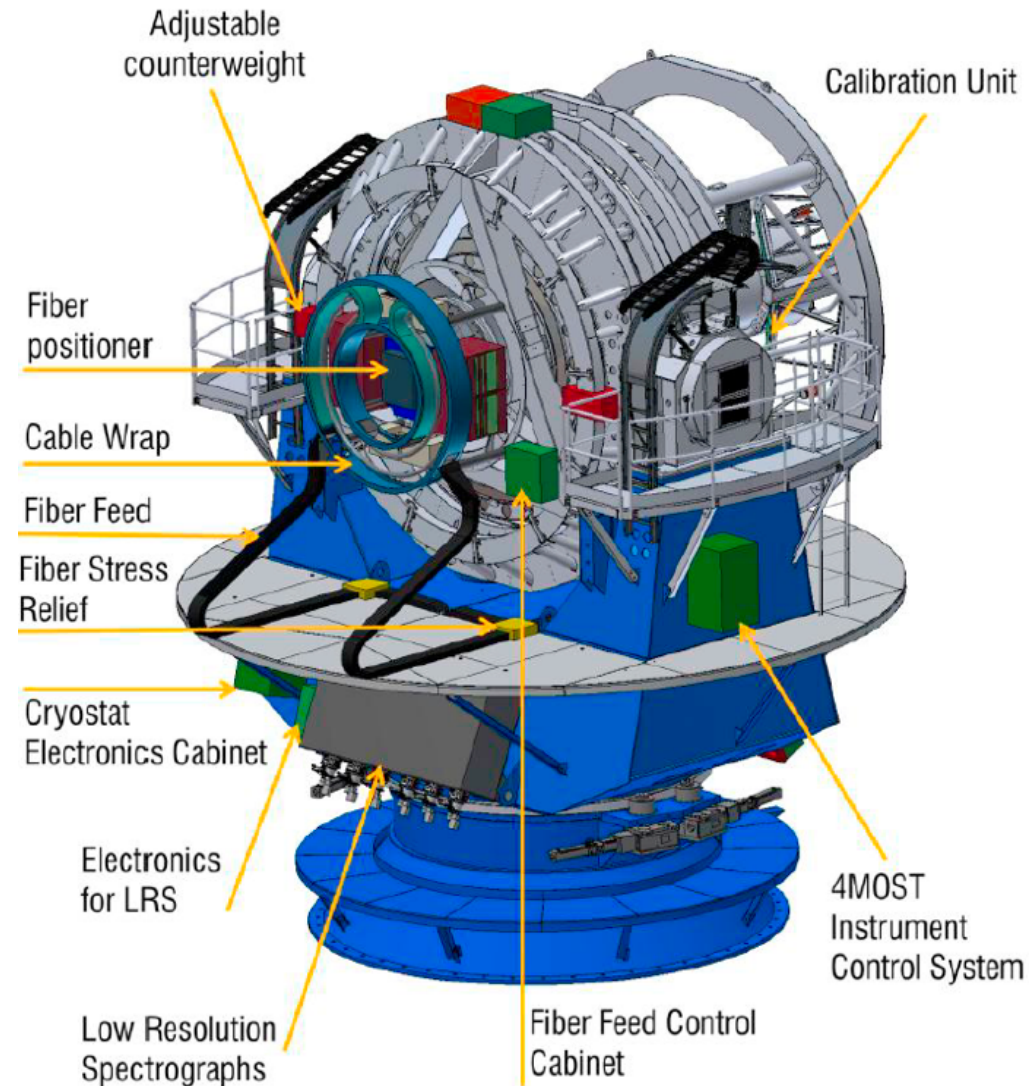


- Second cycle of VISTA surveys; ESO Call in 2015
- 13 Lol submitted by community, oversubscription >2x
- 7 proposals selected by PSP, approved by OPC, then by DG



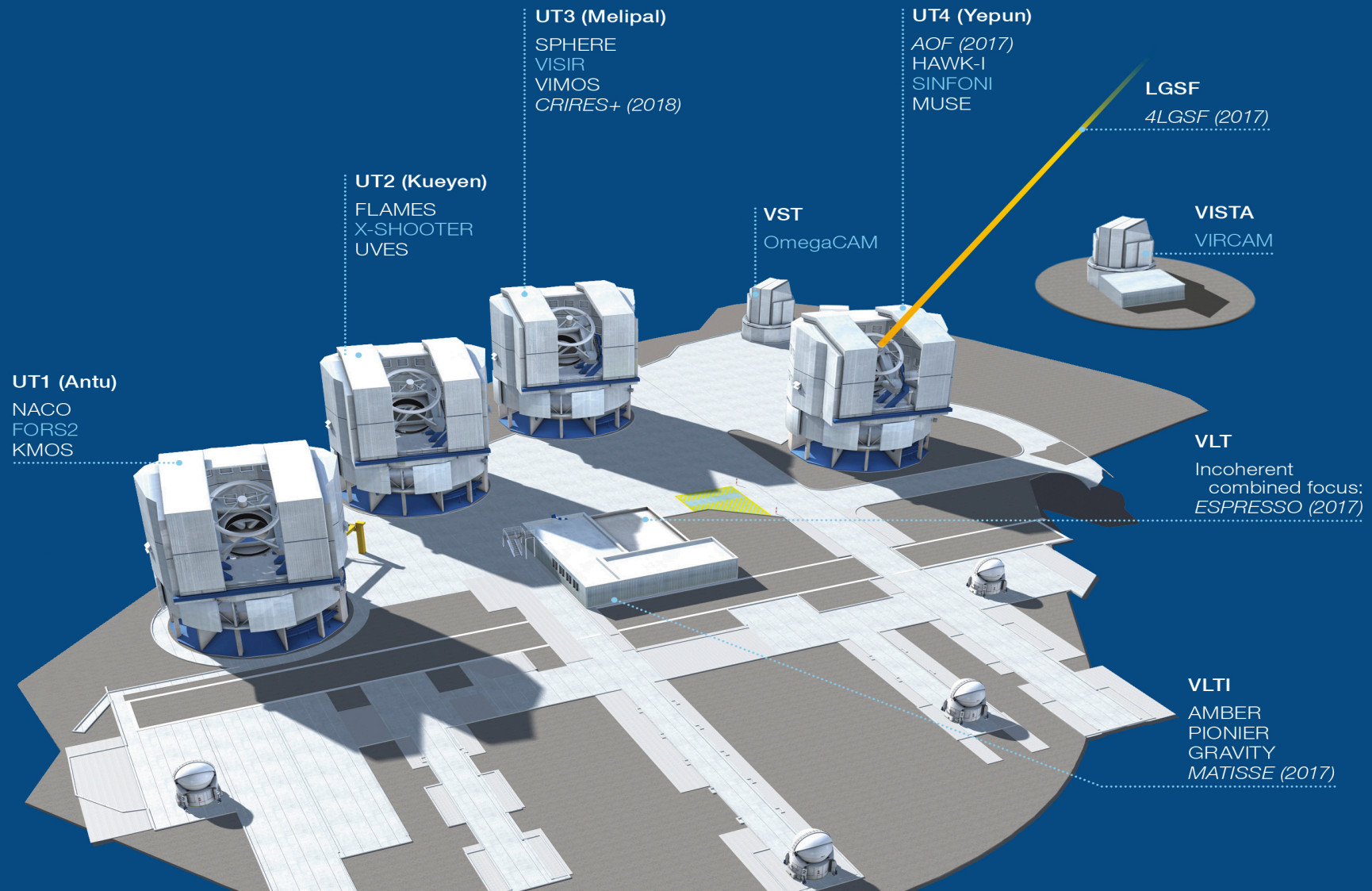
# 4MOST

- PI Roelof de Jong – AIP
- World-class fibre-fed MOS
  - Cassegrain focus of VISTA
  - large field of view ( $> 4 \text{ deg}^2$ )
  - spectral resolutions (LRM:  $R > 5,000$ , HRM:  $R > 18,000$ ) for both Galactic and extragalactic applications
  - high multiplex ( $> 700$  LRM,  $> 700$  HRM)
    - 1500 fibres, goal 2200
  - broad coverage in LRM (400-885 nm)
  - 393-435, 521-571, 610-675 nm in HRM
- PAC 2021



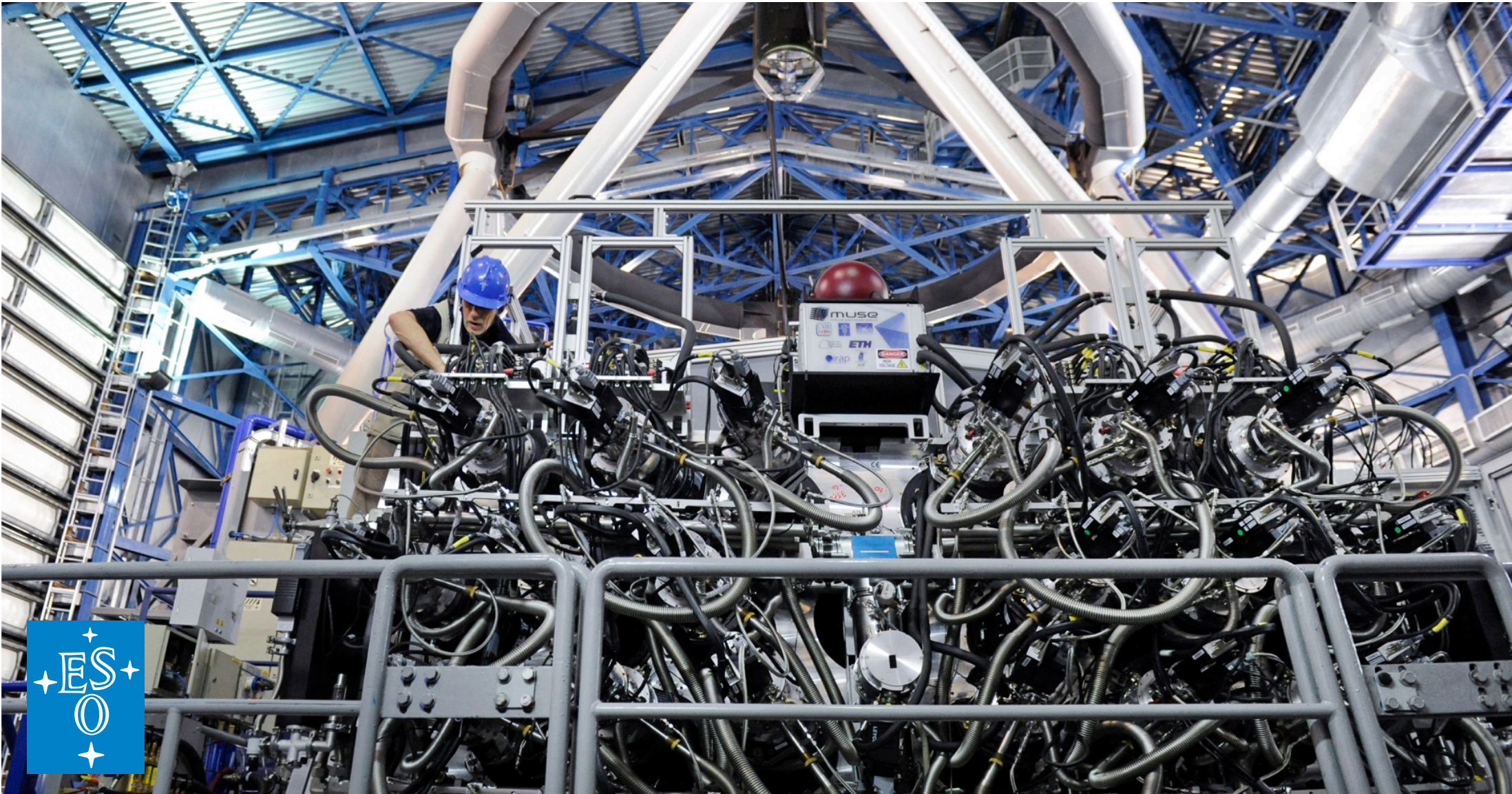


# Integrated system



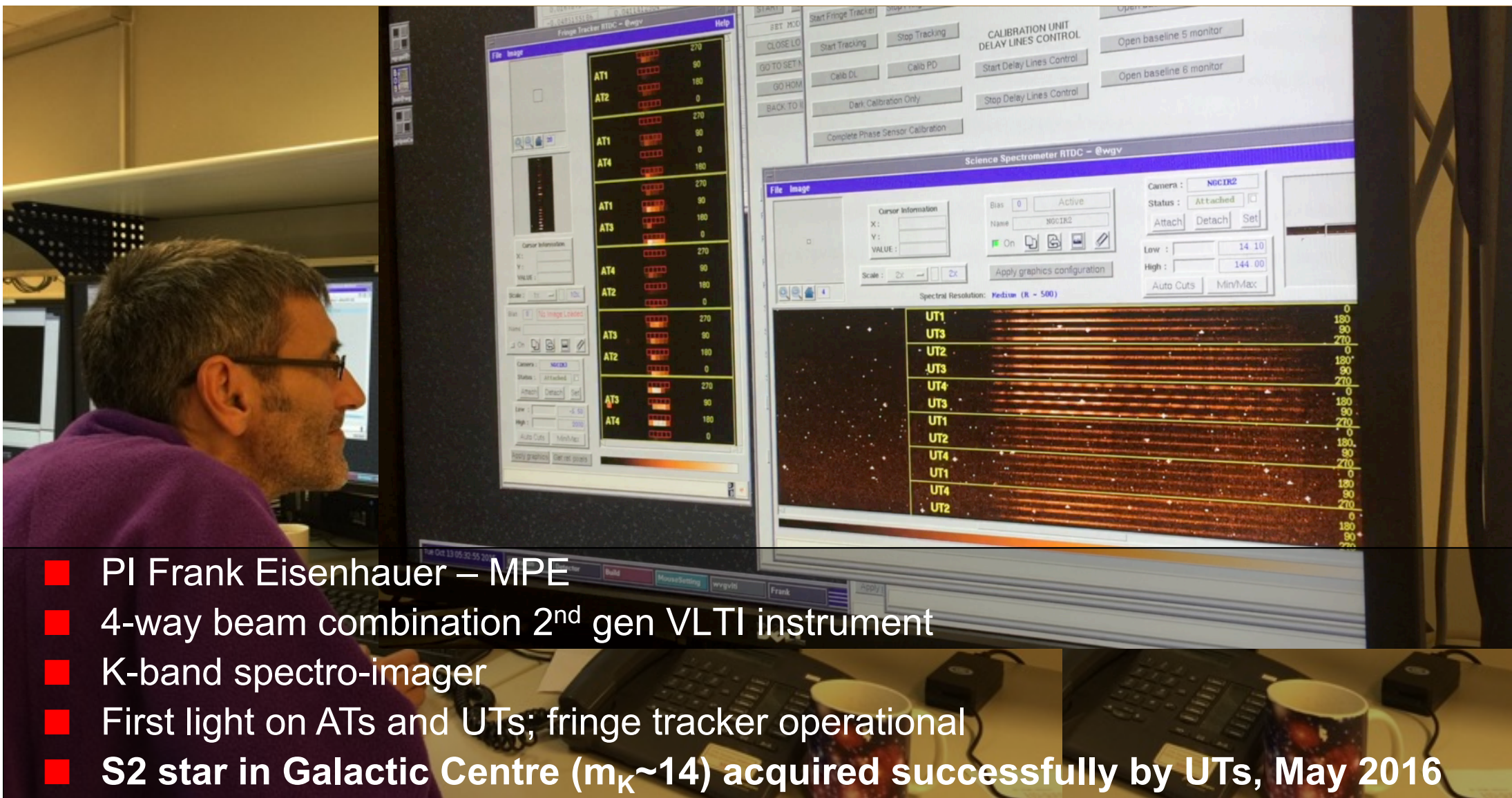


MUSE





# GRAVITY



PI Frank Eisenhauer – MPE

4-way beam combination 2<sup>nd</sup> gen VLTi instrument

K-band spectro-imager

First light on ATs and UTs; fringe tracker operational

**S2 star in Galactic Centre ( $m_K \sim 14$ ) acquired successfully by UTs, May 2016**



## AOF



- Upgrade UT4 with an Adaptive Secondary mirror (1170 actuators) & Four Laser Guide Stars
- GALACSI – feeds MUSE
  - Two fields of view: 1 arcmin for Ground Layer AO
    - gain of 2 in ensquared energy at 750nm
  - 7.5" FOV for Laser Tomography AO
    - moderate Strehl ratio in the visible (>5% @ 650 nm) on-axis
- GRAAL – feeds HAWK-I
  - GLAO: x2 in ensquared energy at K over the 7.5 arcmin FoV
- PAC 2017-8

# ESPRESSO - Echelle SPectrograph for Rocky Exoplanet and Stable Spectroscopic Observations

## ■ PI Francesco Pepe – Observatoire de Geneve

- Super-stable Optical High Resolution fiber-fed Spectrograph for combined coudé focus of VLT
- Uses any of the UTs or up to 4 UTs simultaneously
- 0.38-0.8  $\mu\text{m}$
- $R=120\text{k}-220\text{k}$
- 4UT  $R=60\text{k}$

## ■ PAC 2017

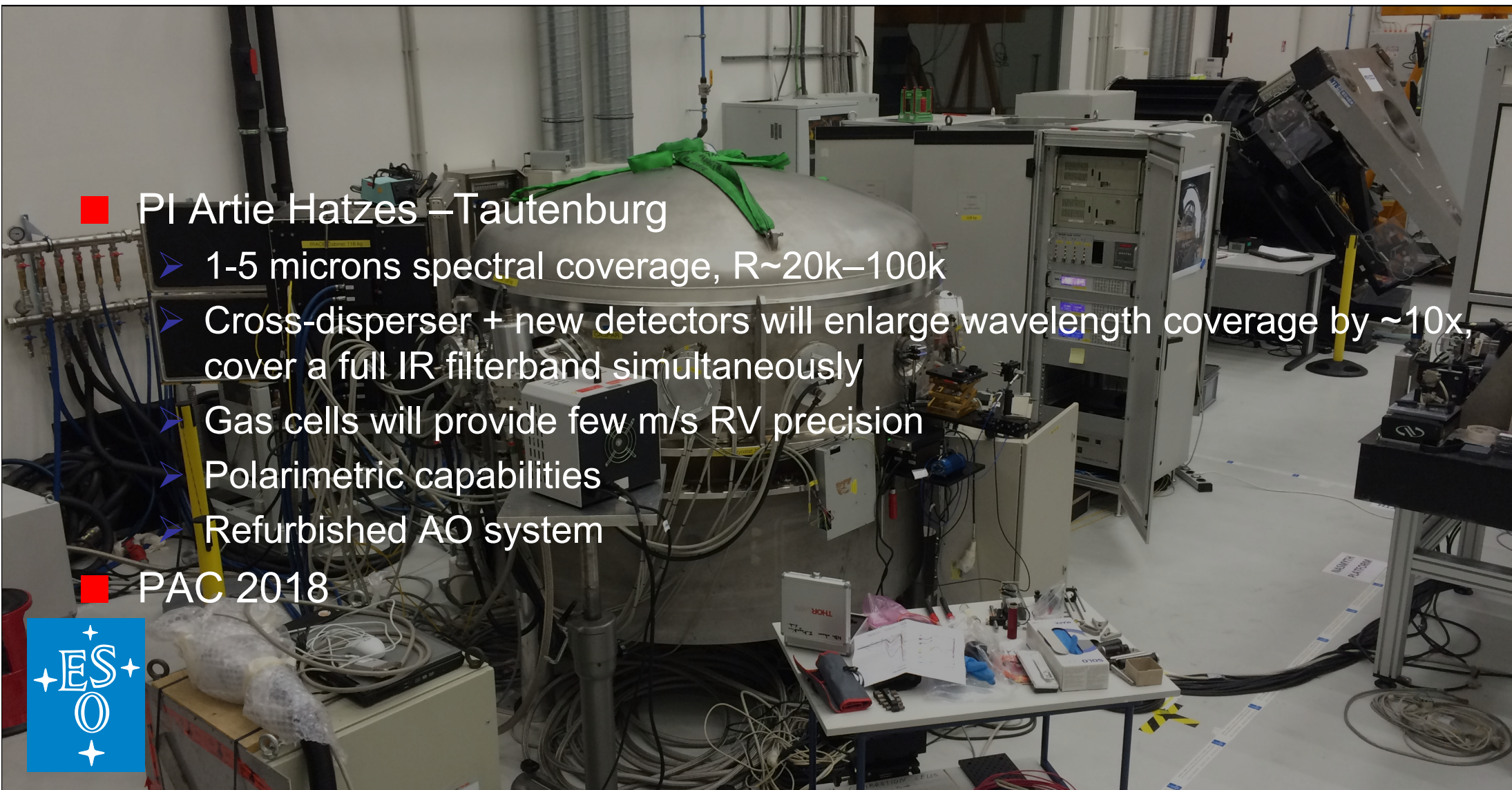




■ PI Artie Hatzes –Tautenburg

- 1-5 microns spectral coverage,  $R \sim 20k-100k$
- Cross-disperser + new detectors will enlarge wavelength coverage by  $\sim 10x$ , cover a full IR filterband simultaneously
- Gas cells will provide few m/s RV precision
- Polarimetric capabilities
- Refurbished AO system

■ PAC 2018



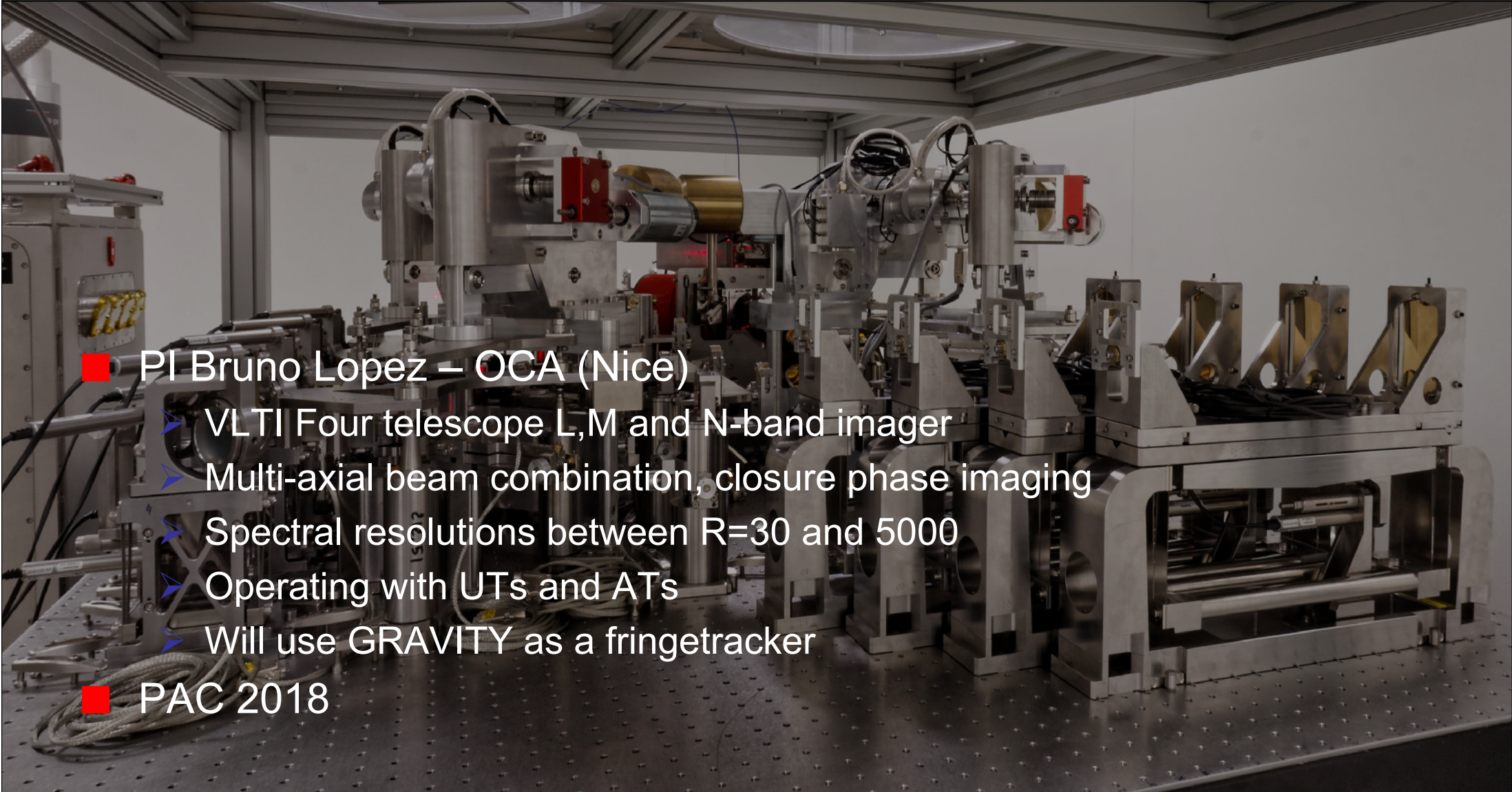


# MATISSE - Multi-Aperture mid-Infrared SpectroScopic Experiment

■ PI Bruno Lopez – OCA (Nice)

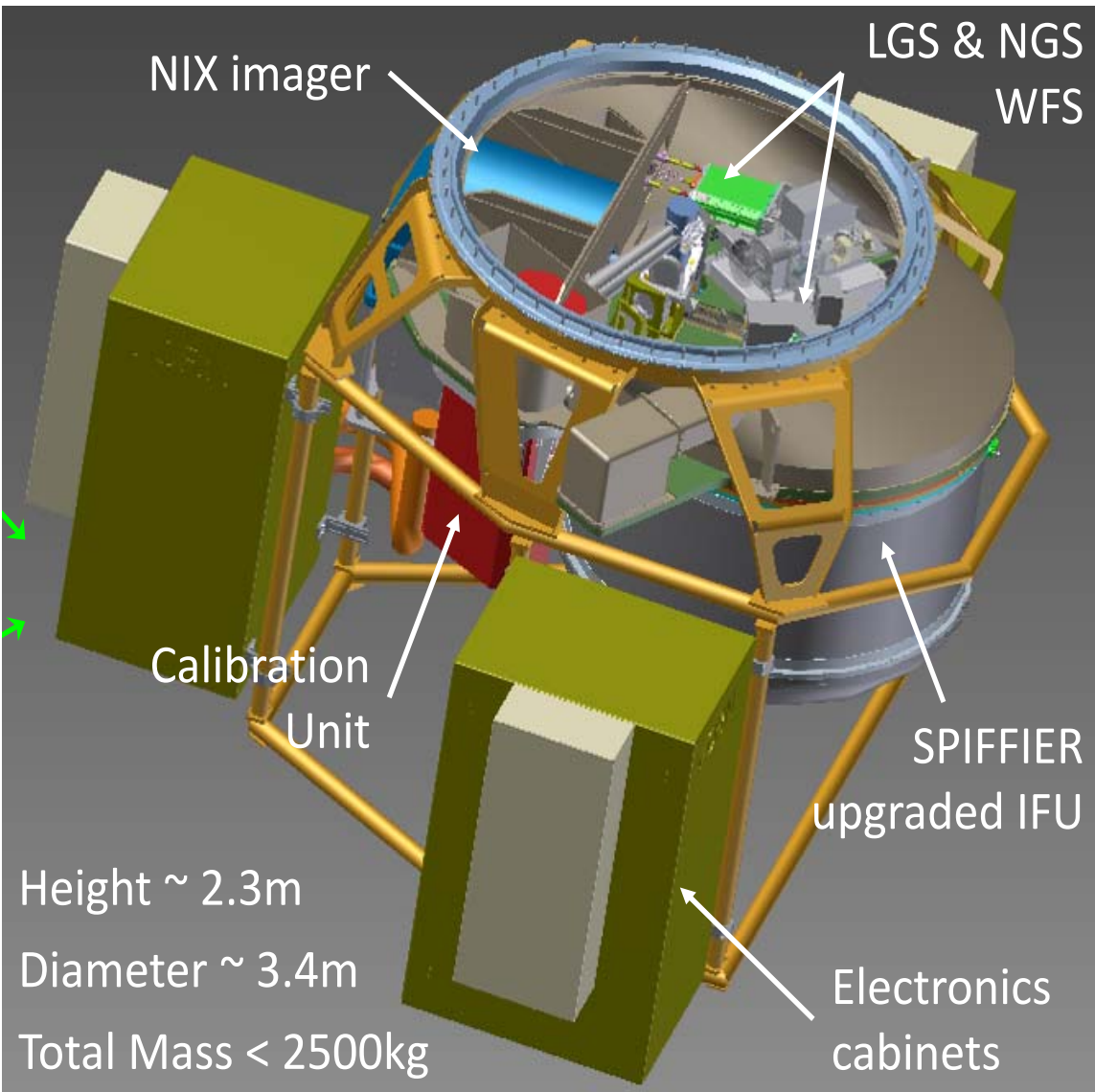
- VLTI Four telescope L,M and N-band imager
- Multi-axial beam combination, closure phase imaging
- Spectral resolutions between  $R=30$  and 5000
- Operating with UTs and ATs
- Will use GRAVITY as a fringe tracker

■ PAC 2018





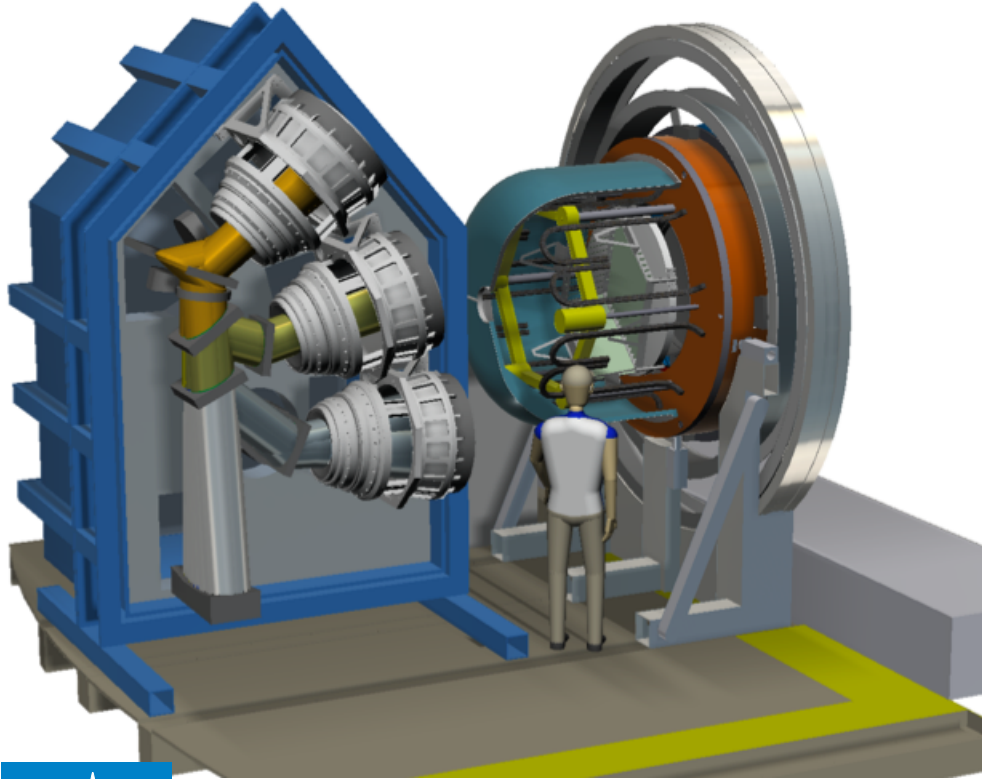
# ERIS



- PI Ric Davies – MPE
- SPIFFI Integral field spectroscopy
  - FoV 0.8", 3.2", 8"
  - R~3000 & 8000; J-K bands
- NIX
  - J-K narrow/broad bands;
  - 13/27 mas pix (26"/55" FoV)
  - L-M broadbands; 27mas pix (55" FoV)
- High-contrast imaging
  - Pupil plane coronagraph (L-M)
  - Focal plan coronagraph (L-M)\*
  - Sparse aperture Masking (J-M)
- long slit spectroscopy\*
  - R=500, LM band simultaneously
- PAC 2021



# MOONS - Multi-Object Optical and Near-infrared Spectrograph

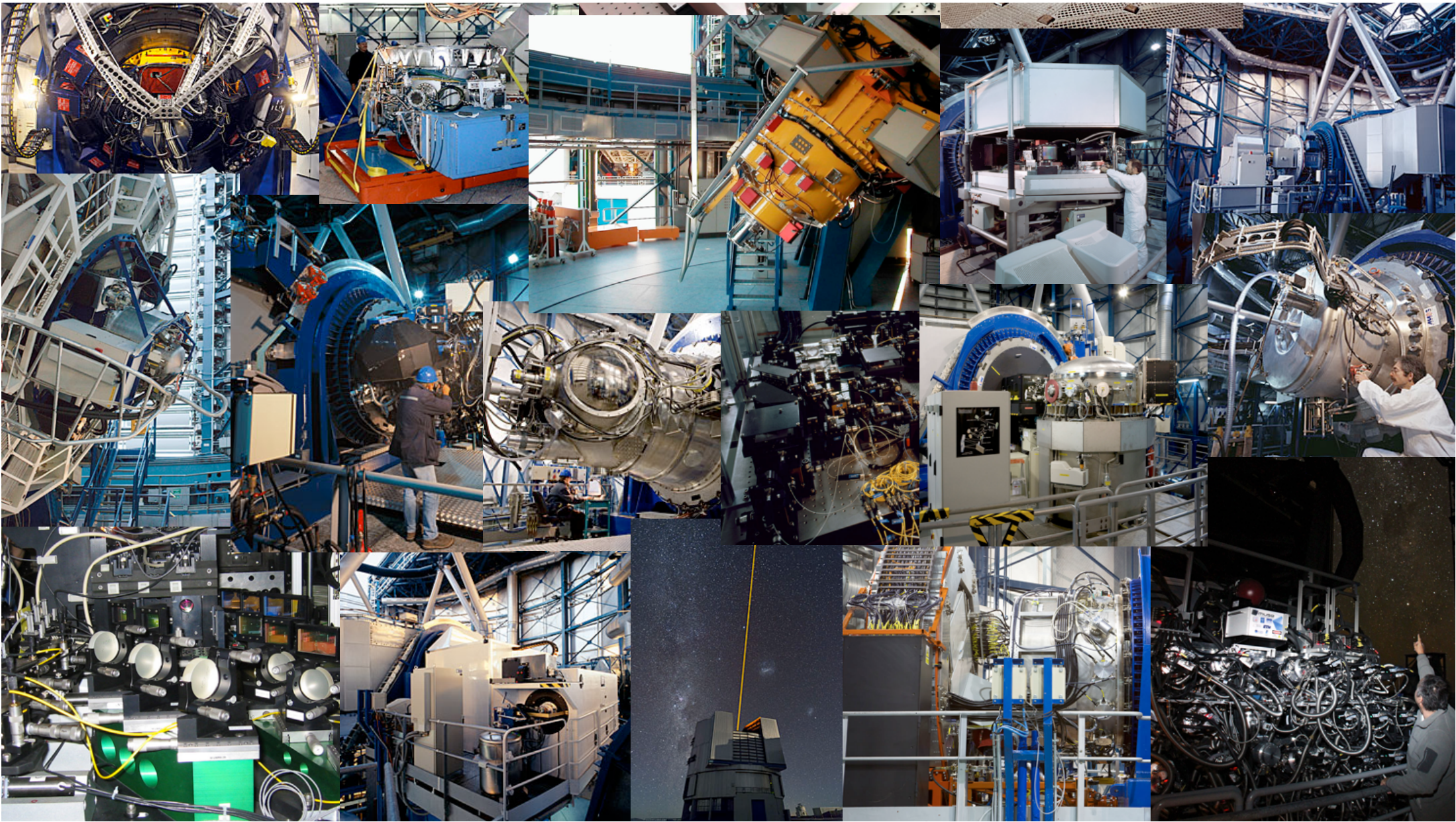


## ■ PI Michele Cirasuolo

- Field of view: 500 sq. arcmin at 8.2m VLT
- 1024 fibers with possibility to deploy them in pairs
- Medium resolution:
  - Simultaneously  $0.64\mu\text{m}$ - $1.8\mu\text{m}$
  - $R=4000$ – $6000$
- High resolution:
  - Simultaneously 3 bands:
  - $0.76$ - $0.90\mu\text{m}$  at  $R = 9,000$
  - $0.95$ - $1.35\mu\text{m}$  at  $R=4,000$
  - $1.52$ - $1.63\mu\text{m}$  at  $R=20,0$

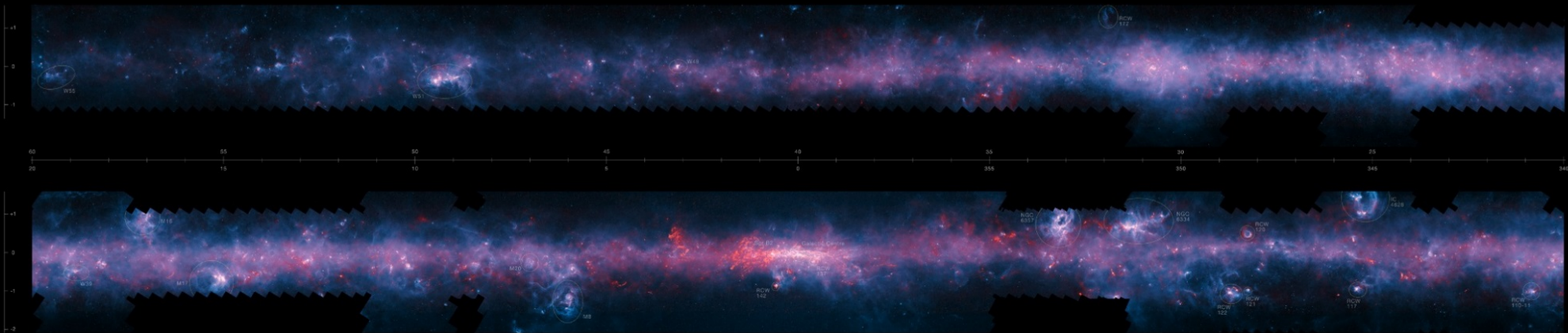
## ■ PAC 2020







APEX



## Atacama Pathfinder Experiment (since 2006)

- ✧ 12 m sub-millimetre antenna on Chajnantor at 5100 m
- ✧ Partnership of MPIfR, OSO and ESO
- ✧ Facility, PI and visiting bolometers/spectrometers
- ✧ Star formation, high-redshift galaxies, ISM physics
- ✧ SEPIA: ALMA Band 5 prototype (EU-funded) installed and commissioned

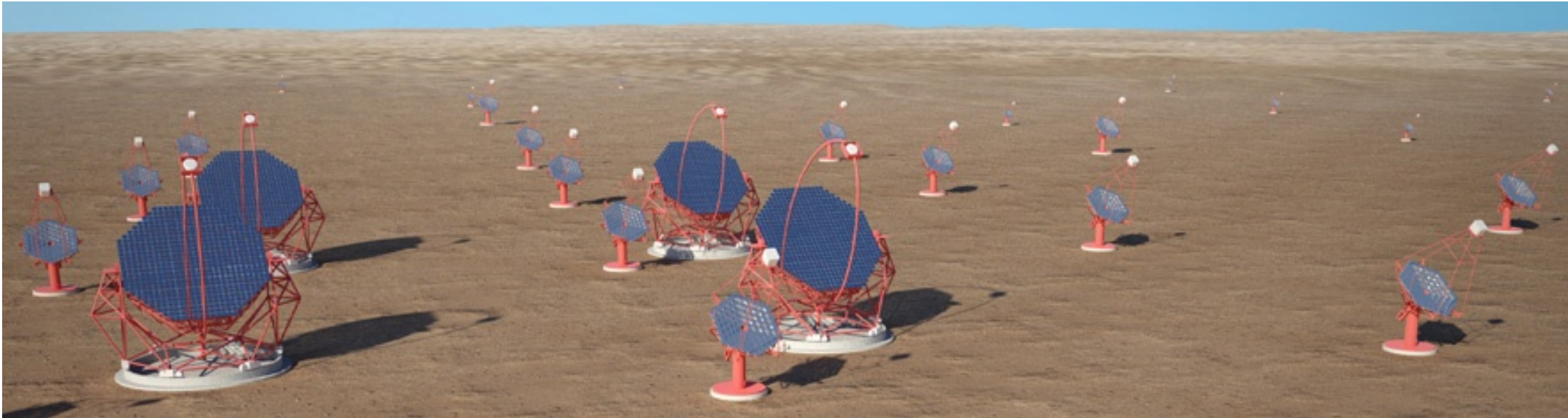


Wide-field complement to, and pathfinder for, ALMA

ATLASGAL



## Cherenkov Telescope Array (CTA)



- Array of simple but fairly large optical telescopes
  - Measure Cherenkov flashes in Earth's atmosphere from interaction with very high energy photons from objects in the Universe, with  $\sim 0.1$  degree angular accuracy
  - Follow-up to HESS, MAGIC, VERITAS experiments
  - Approximately 1000 objects expected, many Galactic
    - Transition from experiment to observatory

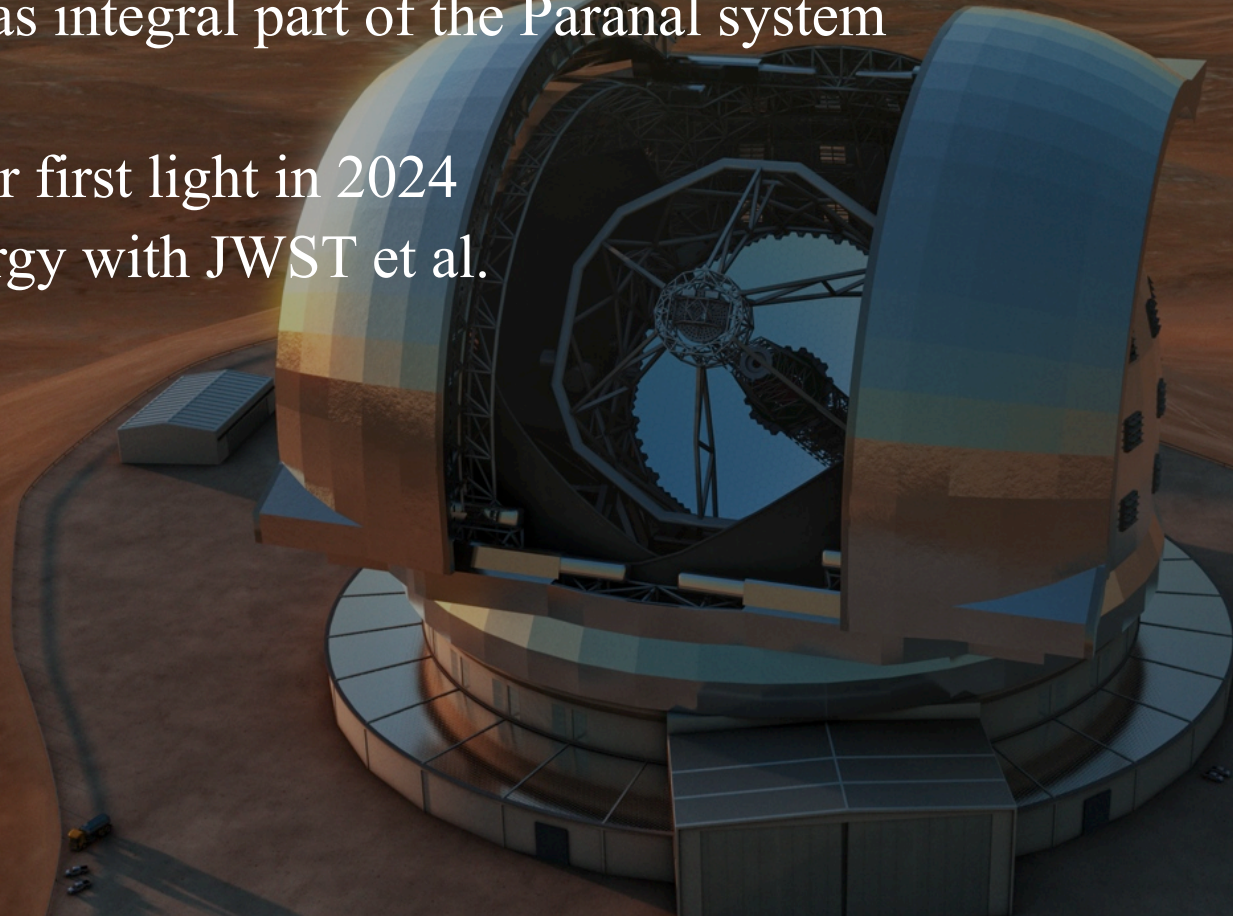
## E-ELT

Largest optical/infrared telescope in the world

- ✧ 39-m segmented primary mirror: transformational step
- ✧ On Armazones, as integral part of the Paranal system

Construction on-track for first light in 2024

- ✧ Maximises synergy with JWST et al.



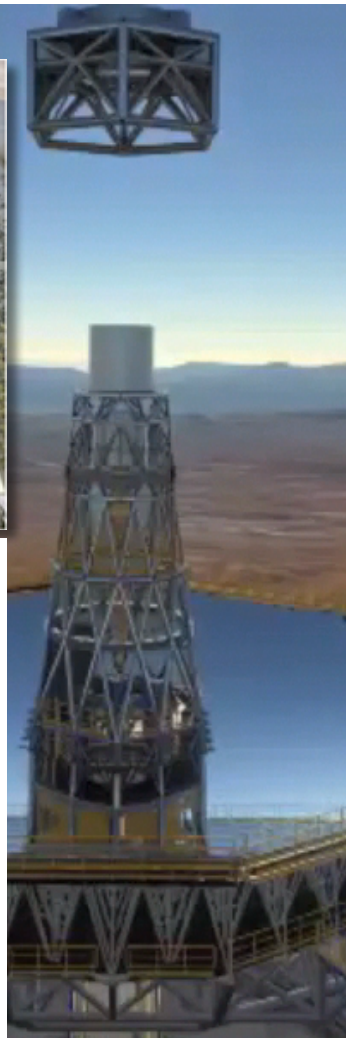
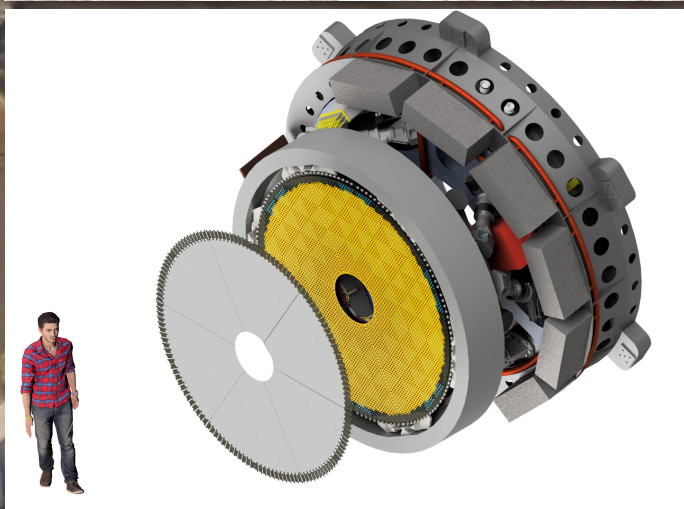
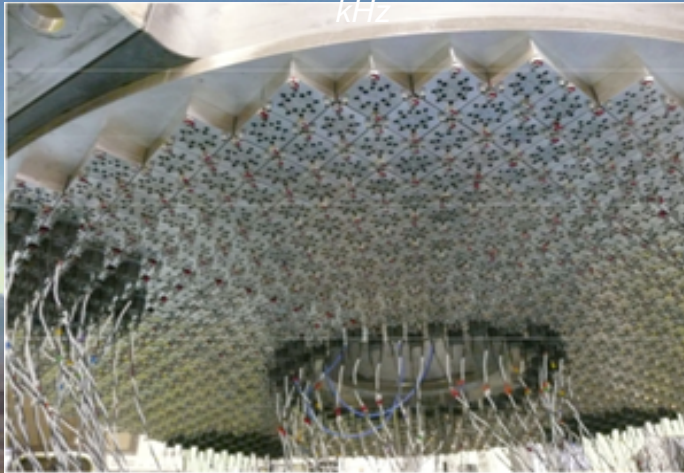






# E-ELT Optomechanics

~5300 actuators driving mirror shape at 1 kHz



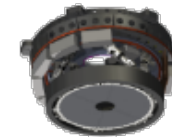
**M1 Unit**  
39-m  
Concave – Aspheric  $f/0.9$   
Segmented (798 Segments)  
Active + Segment shape Control



**M2 Unit**  
4-m  
Convex Aspheric  $f/1.1$   
Passive + Position Control



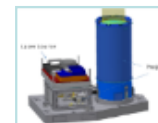
**M3 Unit**  
4-m – Concave – Aspheric  $f/2.6$   
Active + Position Control



**M4 Unit**  
2.4-m  
Flat  
Segmented (6 petals)  
Adaptive + Position Control



**M5 Unit**  
2.7x2.1-m  
Flat  
Passive + Fast Tip/Tilt



**LGSU**  
(Laser Guide Star Units)  
Laser Sources + Laser Beacons  
shaping and emitting



*Planets & Stars*

*Stars & Galaxies*

E-ELT  
Science

JWST

JWST

TMT

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*Gullieuszik et al 2014.*





## E-ELT

### Recent contract awards

- ✧ M4 shell and unit
- ✧ MAORY, MICADO, HARMONI, METIS
- ✧ Dome and main structure

### Instrumentation roadmap

- ✧ Phase A studies: MOS & HIRES
- ✧ ELT-6: Specs to be defined later
- ✧ EPICS: After further technology development

### Construction philosophy

- ✧ 'VLT model' of consortia working closely with ESO
- ✧ GTO policy: Cou-1543

Max 15% of E-ELT observing time for GTO to consortia  
65 nights per instrument, spread over 4-8 years





An aerial photograph of the Atacama Desert in Chile, showing a vast, arid landscape with rolling hills and distant snow-capped mountains. Two white arrows point to specific locations: one to the Armazones region and another to the Paranal observatory site.

Armazones

Paranal

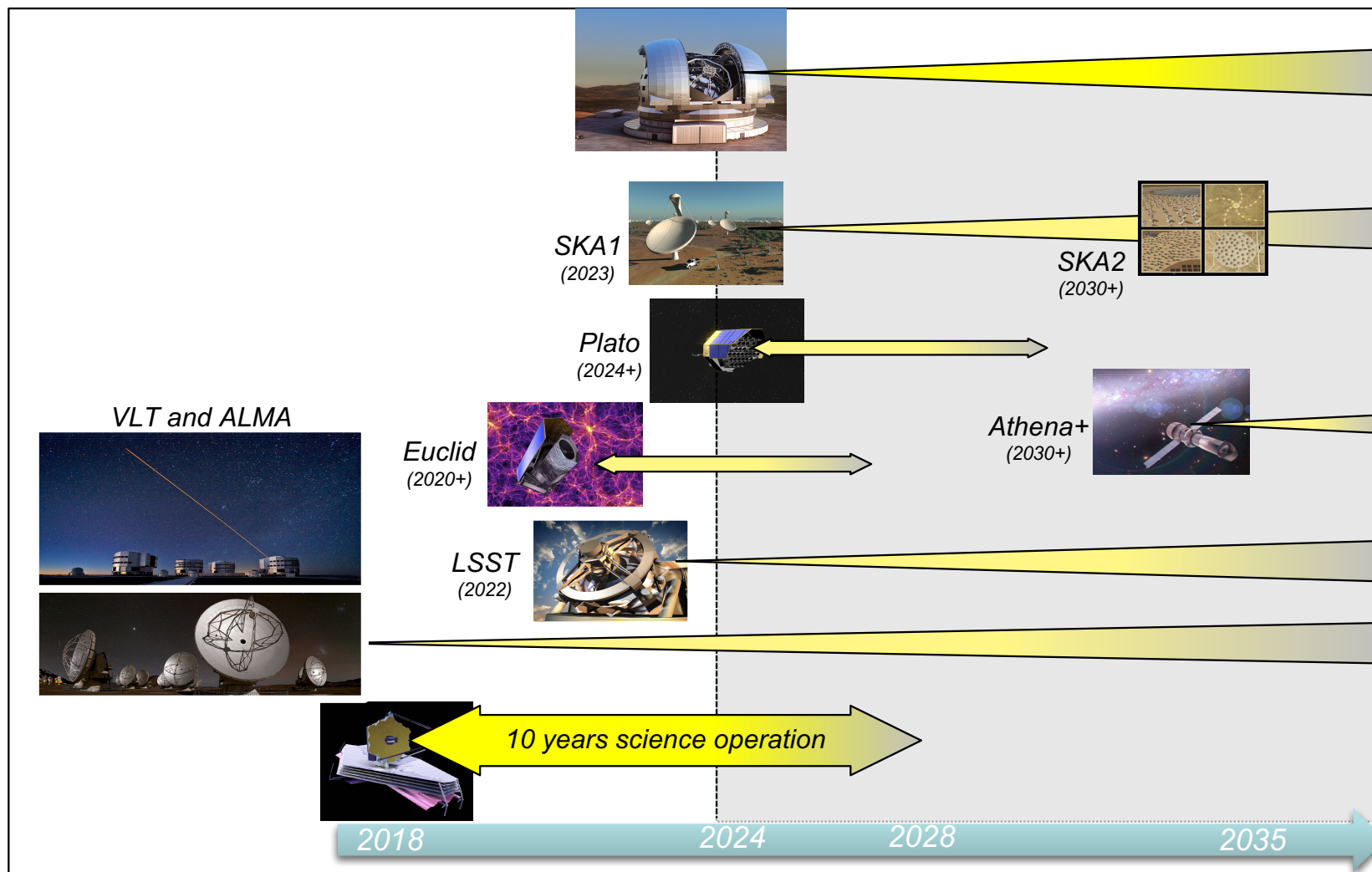








# E-ELT synergies





## ESO Long-Term Strategy

- 15 MS, with income as currently foreseen
  - Programme as summarized, but only Phase 1 E-ELT
  - Includes CTA on cost reimbursement basis
  - Major ALMA upgrade only possible after E-ELT Phase 2
- If extra income available, e.g., from new MS
  - Highest priority is Phase 2 E-ELT
  - Brazil's membership would enable this in full
  - Discussions with other candidate Member States ongoing
- New opportunities being analysed
  - Participation in Large Single Dish (40m at Chajnantor)
  - Participation in wide-field MOS telescope (12-15m)
  - Third-generation VLT, incl. two more (fixed) ATs





## ESO Financial aspects

### ■ Boundary conditions on overall programme

- Paranal operations and instrumentation protected
- ALMA contribution at current level (incl. development)
- La Silla continues to 2030, APEX extended through 2022

### ■ E-ELT construction is divided into two Phases

- Phase 1 affordable without Brazil as MS (1033 MEUR)
  - 39m E-ELT but not all instruments and capabilities at first light
- Phase 2 (110 MEUR) will complete baseline E-ELT
  - Includes more M1 segments, LTAO unit, ...

### ■ Council authorised

- Spending on Phase 1 (Dec 2014)
- Placing all Phase 1 contracts in line with first light in 2024
  - Even when managing cash flow requires a loan (Jun 2016)

