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# The Advanced Virgo Project Office a Report from the Field

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### Outline

- Detecting GWs with Interferometers
- Advanced Virgo (AdV)
- The AdV Project Office
- The AdV Project Management
- A Procurement Case: the CB Scaffolding
- A Project "Crisis" Case: Monolithic Suspension Failure
- Conclusions

# **Detecting GWs with Interferometers**

### Effect of GWs:

Squeeze and stretch the space in perpendicular directions: strain  $h = \Delta L/L$ 

### We'll need:

A set of free test masses, far apart, A means to measure their relative motion, and Isolation of the masses from other causes of motion.

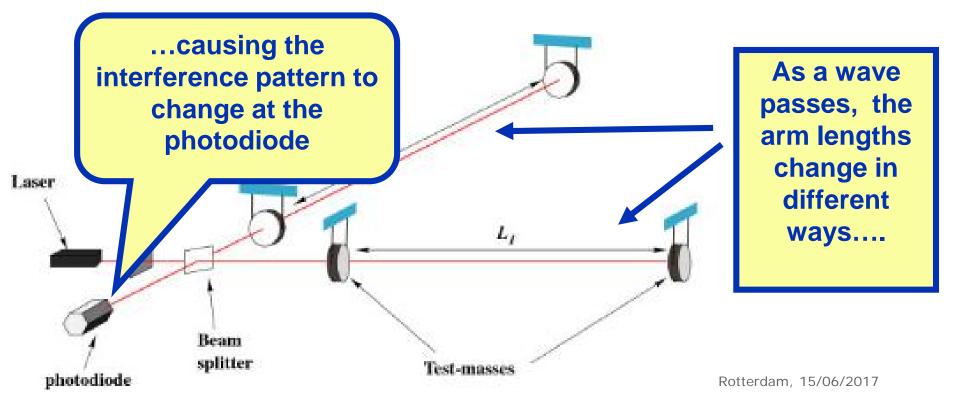
### Here's the challenge:

Even for the most tremendous events in Universe, h~10^-21 If test masses are separated by 3 km, that means a **length** change less than 10<sup>-18</sup>m!

### **MONIVIRG Detecting GWs with Interferometers**

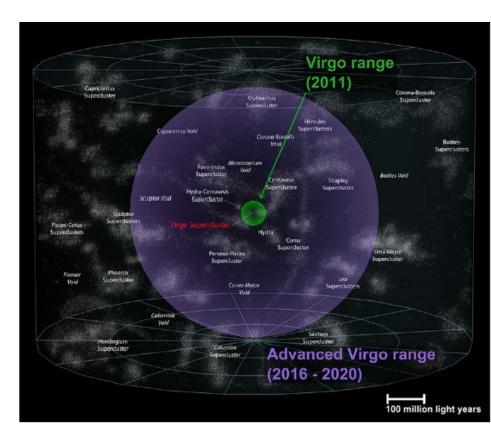
Laser used to measure relative lengths of two orthogonal arms

Arms are few km Measure difference in length to one part in 10<sup>21</sup> or 10<sup>-18</sup> meters



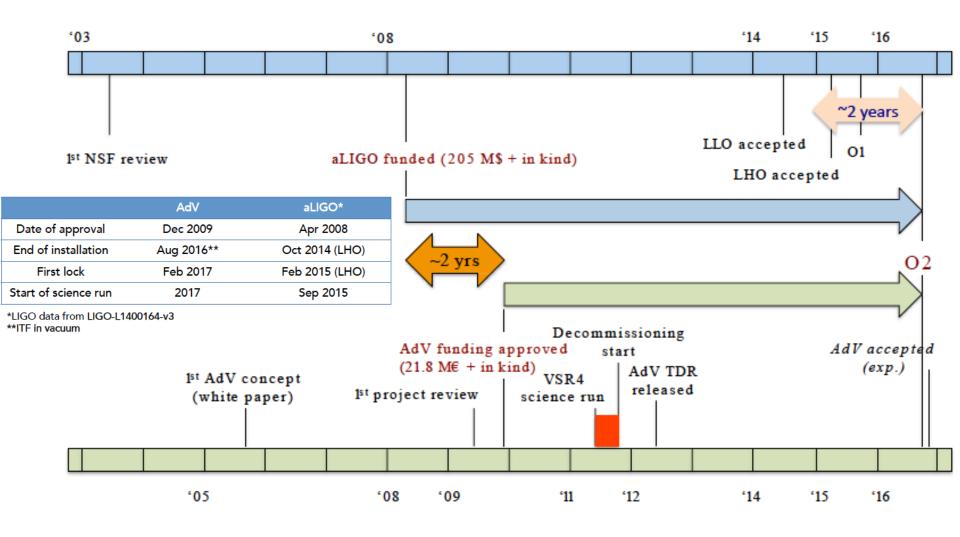
# **MONIVIRGE 1st Generation and Advanced Detectors**

- LIGO and Virgo achieved the nominal sensitivity set more than a decade ago with good duty cycle during science runs but no detections were made
- A next generation of machines, was designed and constructed
  - 10 x sensitivity improvement over 1st generation
  - 1000 x increase of observation volume
  - 1 day of AdV data >>
     1 yrs of Virgo data





## A Bit of History

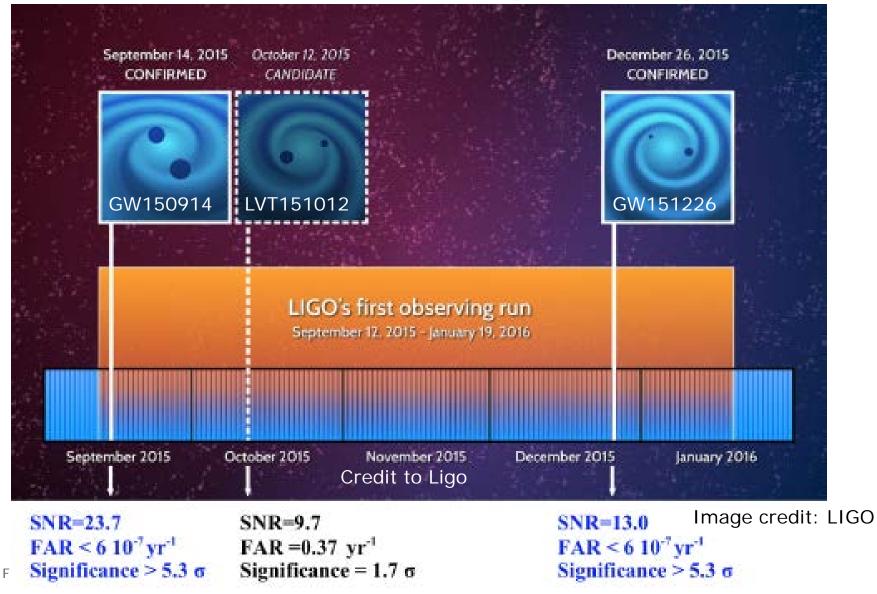


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# The GW astronomy era has begun (and is awaiting for us...)

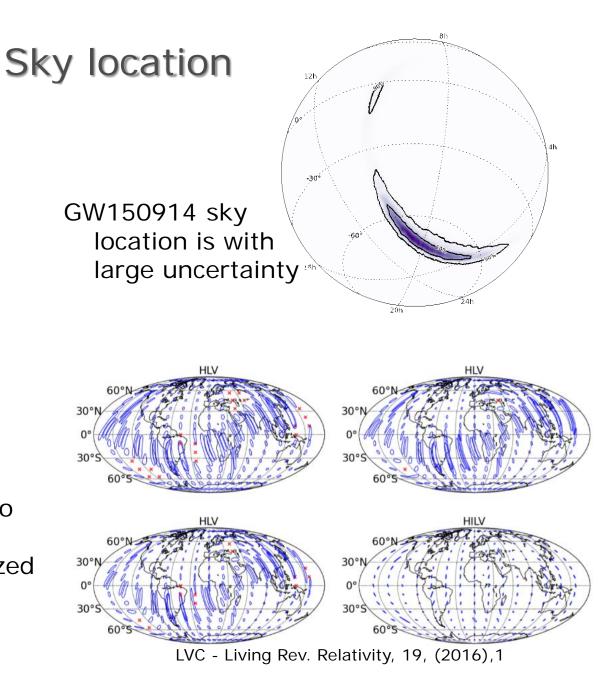




GW laser interferometers are not pointing telescopes

Sky location can be reconstructed through the time of arrival of GW radiation at the different detector sites, as well as the relative amplitude and phase of the GWs in different detectors

> In the design LIGO-Virgo network, GW150914 could have been localized to less than 20 deg<sup>2</sup>



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# Advanced Virgo

- Advanced Virgo (AdV): upgrade of the Virgo interferometric detector
- Participated by scientists from France and Italy (former founders of Virgo), The Netherlands, Poland and Hungary
- Funding approved in Dec 2009 (21.8 ME + Nikhef in kind contribution)
- End of installation: July 2016
- Part of the international network (MoU with LSC)
- Short-term goal: join O2b in ~March 2017

6 European countries 20 labs, ~250 authors

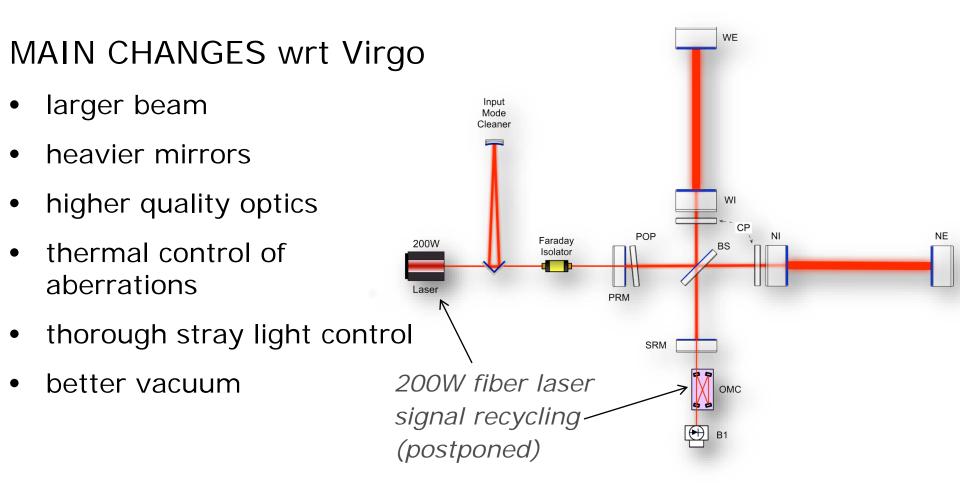
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## AdV Detector Design

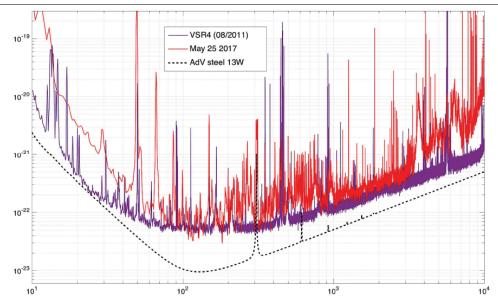




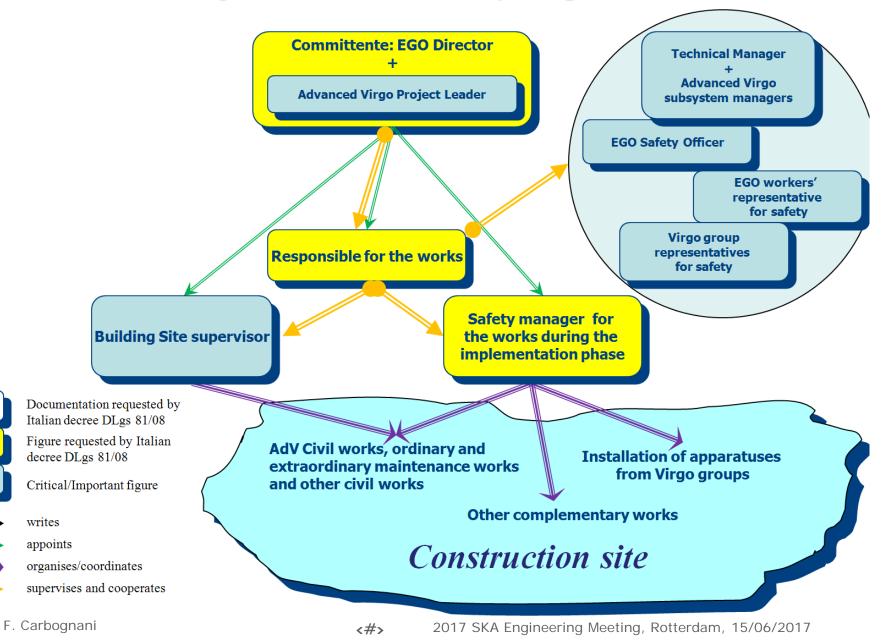
# AdV Commissioning Progress

- Last mirror (WE) suspended in July 2016
- November 2016, full ITF available for commissioning
- First lock at half fringe (December 30th)
- February 2017, ITF locked at dark fringe for 15 minutes
- June 2017, ITF operational and automated, noise hunting fully ongoing. Performed the first 3 days engineering run

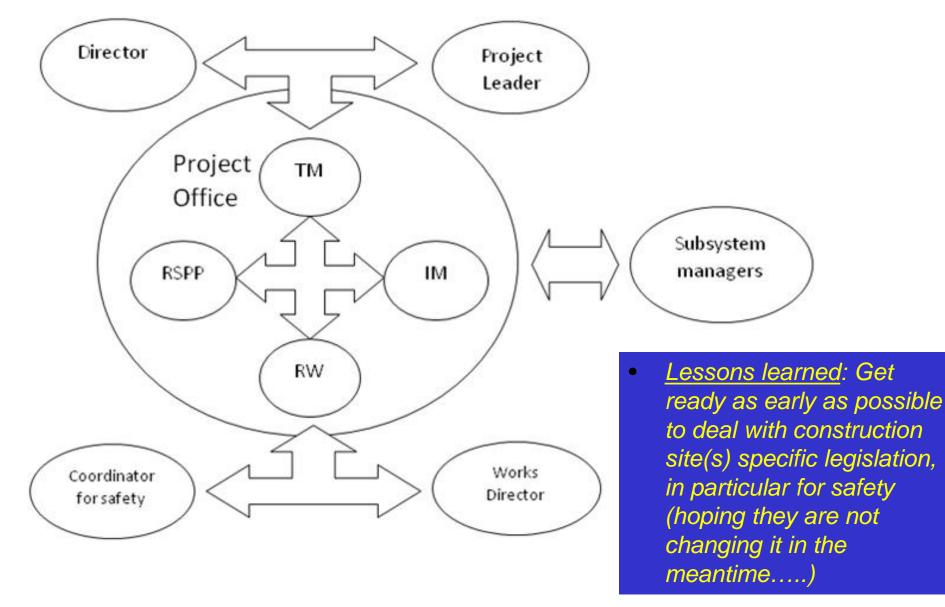




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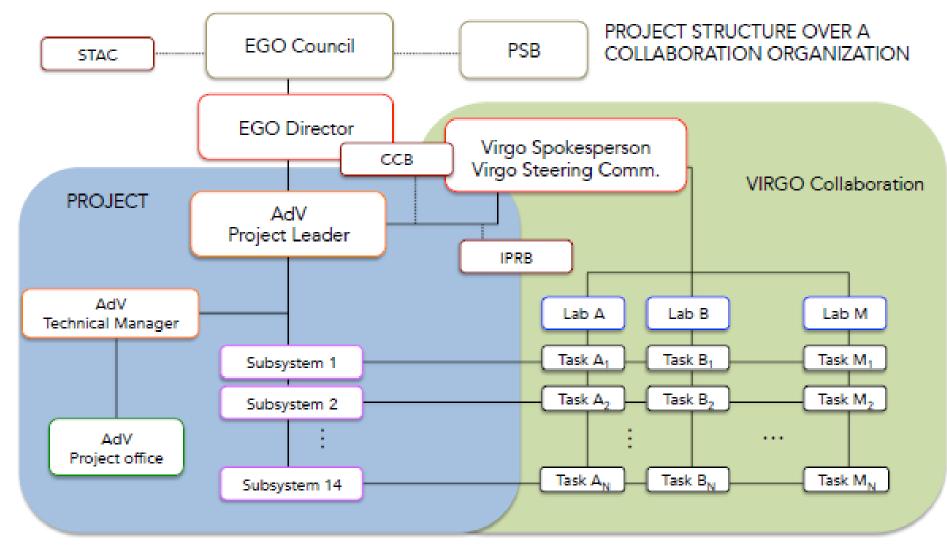


### AdV Project Office: Structure





### AdV Management Chart

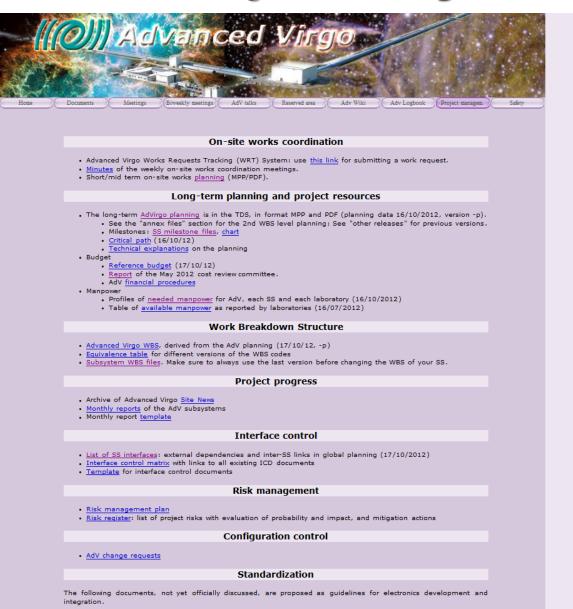


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### AdV Project Management



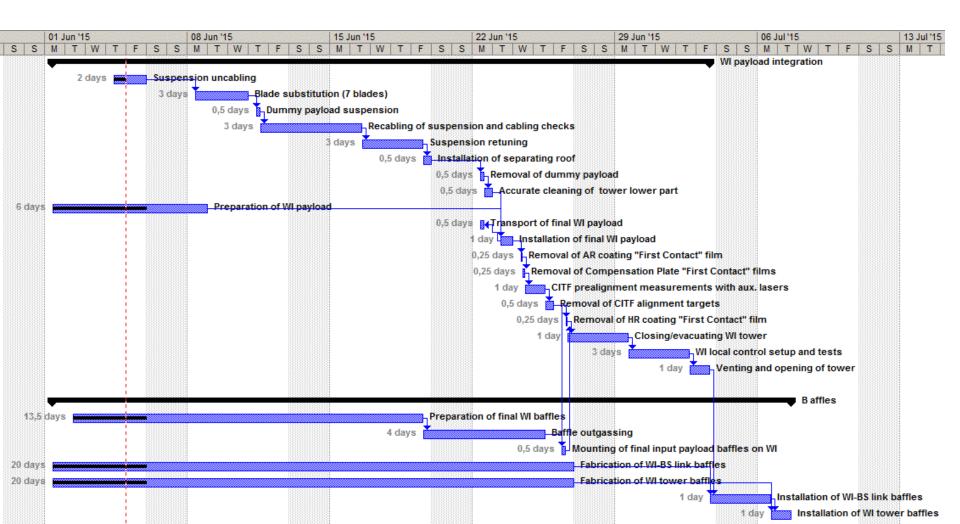
- · Guidelines for an electronics systems engineering approach
- · Guidelines and Requirements for Electronics
- · Part I: Installation · Part II: Systems.
- · Integration of electronics in Virgo: list of minimum requirements

- Integration of electronics in Virgo: check list form

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### **Con Site Works coordination**

For the most complex activities integrated detailed planning were drafted during the weekly coordination meetings, circulated and refined considering the feedback of all involved parties





### Work Breakdown Structure

#### WBS principles

Ideally 3 levels

- 1. Subsystem
- 2. Task
- 3. Subtask

4<sup>th</sup> level possible if needed for work attribution to laboratories.

Everything that needs budget or manpower must be in the WBS.

Include all tasks: design, prototyping, commissioning

WIR.00	0.05-u	Modification statterometer [LWA]	
MIR.06	5.04-d	New bench for high accuracy flatness measurement- Design/Manufacturing/Tes	t [LMA]
PAY			
PAY.01-d	Subsy	vstem Management [Roma1]	
PAY.02-d	Recoi	il Mass for NE and WE Monolithic Payloads	
PAY.02	.01-d	Recoil Mass design [Roma1]	
PAY.02	.02-d	Recoil Mass prototyping [Roma1]	
PAY.02	.03-d	Recoil Mass production [Roma1]	
PAY.02	.04-d	Recoil Mass integration in NE and WE Payloads [Roma1]	
PAY.03-d	Recoi	il Mass for NI and WI Monolithic Payloads	
PAY.03	.01-d	Recoil Mass design [Roma1]	
PAY.03	.02-d	Recoil Mass prototyping [Roma1]	
PAY.03	.03-d	Recoil Mass production [Roma1]	
PAY.03	.04-d	Recoil Mass integration in NI and WI Payloads [Roma1]	
PAY.04-d	Mario	onette for Monolithic Payloads	
PAY.04	.01-d	Marionette design [Roma1]	
PAY.04	.02-d	Marionette production [Roma1]	
PAY.04	.03-d	Marionette integration [Roma1]	
PAY 05-d	Mario	onette Recoil Mass for Monolithic Payloads	

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### Interface Management

#### AdVirgo interface control matrix

The links in the matrix entries lead to the last version of the interface control document between the two subsystems.

	DAQ	DET	IME	INJ	ISC	MIR	OSD	PAY	PSL	SAT	TCS	VAC
DAQ		<u>v0.1</u>	<u>v0.1</u>					<u>v0.1</u>				<u>v0.1</u>
DET			<u>v0.1</u>	<u>v0.2</u>	<u>v0.1</u>		<u>v0.1</u>	<u>v0.1</u>				
IME				Х								<u>v0.1</u>
INJ					<u>v0.1</u>	X		<u>v0.1</u>	<u>v1.2</u>	<u>v0.1</u>		Х
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MIR							<u>v0.1</u>	<u>v0.1</u>			<u>v0.1</u>	
OSD								<u>v0.1</u>			<u>v0.1</u>	
PAY										<u>v0.1</u>	<u>v0.1</u>	<u>v0.1</u>
PSL												
SAT												<u>v0.1</u>
TCS												<u>v0.1</u>
VAC												

X = to be written

ICD documents version 0.1: interfaces inserted in ICD template based on the subsystem WBS information.

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### Interface Management

VAC << SLC: baffles inside the central interferometer links installed

#### VAC << SLC: small cryotrap baffles installed

#### SS external dependencies

#### TCS

TCS external dependencies: TCS << AdV: Start of second upgrade phase

TCS << DAQ: DAQ-Boxes with all mezzanines (ADC, DAC, detection) ready for installation TCS << DET: Start of detection area pre-commissioning

TCS << INJ: SS precommissioning finished

TCS << INJ: SS precommissioning start TCS << MIR: CP produced TCS << OSD: Opt. design finalized TCS << PAY: Detection Beam Line complete TCS << PAY: Input payloads integrated into towers TCS << PAY: NE integrated into tower TCS << PAY: PR integrated into tower TCS << PAY: WE integrated into tower

TCS << VAC: Central towers displaced TCS << VAC: enlarged links design finalized

TCS << VAC: enlarged links installed TCS << VAC: NE displacement finished

Other subsystems' external dependencies from TCS: PAY << TCS:Ring Heater Prototype Ready

#### VAC

VAC external dependencies: VAC << AdV: Start of second upgrade phase

VAC << EGO: Scaffolding installation finish

< SLC < Installation < Central interferometer link baffles installation (31/10/13)

< SLC < Installation < Small crvotrap baffles installation (07/02/14)

#### Connections in global planning

#### Linked to:

- $\,<\,$  MAN  $\,<\,$  AdV: Start of spending for second upgrade phase (01/07/14)
- < DAQ < DAQ: DAQ-Boxes with all mezzanines (ADC, DAC, detection) ready for installation (02/05/14)
- < DET < DET: Start of detection area pre-commissioning (18/11/14)

< INJ < General opto-mechanical layout, common parts construction, Installation and pre-commissioning < Pre-Commissioning (Low power) (03/03/15)

- < INJ < INJ:SS precommissioning start (30/09/14)
- < MIR < Coatings < 2 CP coatings (09/05/14)
- < MAN < AdV: Optical design frozen (31/10/11)
- < PAY < PAY:WI payload suspended and controlled (06/02/15)
- < PAY < PAY:WI payload suspended and controlled (03/12/14)
- < PAY < PAY:NE payload suspended and controlled (24/07/15)
- < PAY < PAY:PR payload suspended and controlled (09/01/15)
- < PAY < PAY:WE payload suspended and controlled (12/06/15)

< VAC < VAC:Central Towers displaced (03/04/13)

- < VAC < Enlarged Links < Design finalization (with SLC) (14/02/13)
- < VAC < Enlarged Links < Installation (06/03/14)
- < VAC < VAC:NE displacement finished (19/06/13)

#### Linked to:

< TCS < Ring Heater < Full-scale RH prototype assembly and (05/04/13)

Other SS depends on task from this SS

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#### Linked to:

< MAN < AdV: Start of spending for second upgrade phase (01/07/14)

< EGO < Scaffolding < EGO: CB scaffolding installed (30/08/13)

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## **Risk Management**

	Advanced Virgo Ris	k Regist	ter								
Level	Probability				Level	Cost Co	nsequence	Schedule Consequence	Performance Consequence		
5	Extremely Likely – 90% probability of occurrence over the project life						5	>3	00 kE	> 4 months	Unacceptable
4	Highly Likely - 70% probability of occurrence	e over the proj	ect life				4	50	. 300 kE	2 - 4 months	Doesn't meet important goals
3	Moderately Likely – 50% probability of occu	urrence over the	project life				3	25	. 50 kE	1 - 2 months	Doesn't meet goals in some areas
2	Unlikely – 30 % probability of occurrence ov	er the project l	ife				2	5	25 kE	<1 month	Doesn't meet high goals
1	Highly Unlikely – 10% probability of occurre	nce over the p	roject life				1	<	5 kE	Negligible	Negligible
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manager	RISK Event	WBS code	ability	Cost	Sched- ule	Perform	Score	up list	(check)	Proposed Mitigation Actions	Comments
A.Paoli	If specifications for Detailed Design are not sufficient in view of the final AdV sensitivity, the project shall be revised.	IME.03-h, IME.05-h	1	4	3	2	Low		Dec 10	Alternative strategy: assuming high safety margins (i.e. damping platforms, increasing the distance of the machines, etc.)	
A.Paoli	Decision on electronics displacement and design can delay infrastructure support works or change costs.	IME.06-h	2	3	1	3	Med		Dec 10		
A.Paoli	Realization of clean room for the DET lab: feasibility under study for space issues. Such works will increase the cost.	IME.07-h	5	3	1	5	High		Jun 10	Verification of the feasibility to take the decision.	

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# **Configuration Control**



#### 2014

2014/004 Increase of the End Mirror transmission

2014/003 Clean air filtering for central building ventilation system

2014/002 Continuous LN2 supply for small cryotraps

2014/001 Lower clamps design modification for test-mass payloads

2013 2013/001 Auxiliary lasers

#### **2012** 2012/001 Foundations for the PAY test facility

#### **2011** 2011/001 Upgrade of machines for fiber pulling

#### AdV CRQ 2014/002

Continuous LN2 supply for small cryotraps

#### Abstract

The two smalltraps cryostats are presently under construction; their delivery is foreseen at the end of November 2014. In the original design of AdV they have been conceived as operating in batch mode refilling the 200 liters reservoir twice per week, such as for the cryotrap which was functioning during +. Here we propose to install a dedicated LN2 supply line per each smalltrap, in order to operate the smalltraps in continuous mode, feeding a continuous flux of cryogen. Main advantage is to improve the duty cycle of AdV, limiting the downtime for maintenance breaks, and to improve the operations functioning of the two smalltraps.

#### **Change request documents**

 VIR-0509A-14
 AdV change request - Continuous LN2 supply for smalltraps

 VIR-0517A-14
 IPRB Report on the change request "Continuous LN2 Supply for smalltrap"

#### Other documents

VIR-0504A-14 Presentation at weekly meeting 06/11/2014



### **Review Process (IPRB)**

#### Past reviews

#### Acceptance reviews

Injection/detection clean rooms: see the July 2014 report: <u>UIR-0384A-14</u>, October report: <u>VIR-0457A-14</u> and the final November report.

#### Installation reviews

- Questions asked to the subsystem manager for an installation review:
- 1. Most recent version of the planning, are the interfaces checked?
- 2. Status of various components: which are the missing ones?
- 3. Hardware data base: status of the registration of the components and their documentation?
- 4. What are the sensors monitoring the active devices?
- 5. What is the list of channels produced by the subsystem?
- 6. What are the acceptance criteria you propose for a possible acceptance review?
  - INJ: January 2014. Final report: <a>
     </a> VIR-0011A-14.
  - PSL: Febrary 2014. Final report: <a>PSL: Febrary 2014. Final report: </a>

#### Change request reviews (see also the <sup>a</sup>AdV CRQ web page)

- CRE-2014/004: Increasing the end test mass transmission (
  <u>VIR-0535A-14</u>). Nov 2014 review, report: <u>VIR-0596A-14</u>.
- CRE-2014/003: Clean air filtering for central building ventilation system( VIR-0512A-14). Nov 2014 review, report: VIR-0519A-14.
- CRE-2014/002: Continuous LN2 supply for small traps ( VIR-0509A-14). Nov. 2014 review, report: VIR-0521A-14.
- CRE-2014/001: Lower clamps design modification for test-mass payloads ( VIR-0463A-14). July-Oct. 2014 review , report: <a href="https://www.vertexa.org">VIR-0469</a>
- CRE-2013/001: Auxiliary laser wavelength change: ( UR-0352B-13). April 2014 review, report: UR-0204A-14.
- CRE-2012/001: Infrastructure modification for the PAY test facility. Oct. 2012 review, report: 
  UIR-0394A-12.
- CRE-2011/001: Upgrade of the fiber machines. Sep-Nov 2011 review, report VIR-0698A-11.
- CRE-2010/001: CRE- PSL baseline change (fiber solution). December 2010 review, report VIR-0710A-10.
  - April 2015 follow up review: report <a>VIR-0208A-15</a>.

#### Technical readiness reviews

- First cryolink; May 2011. Final report: <a>VIR-0323A-11</a>.
- 100W laser: Nov-Dec 2011 Final report: A VIR-0730A-11

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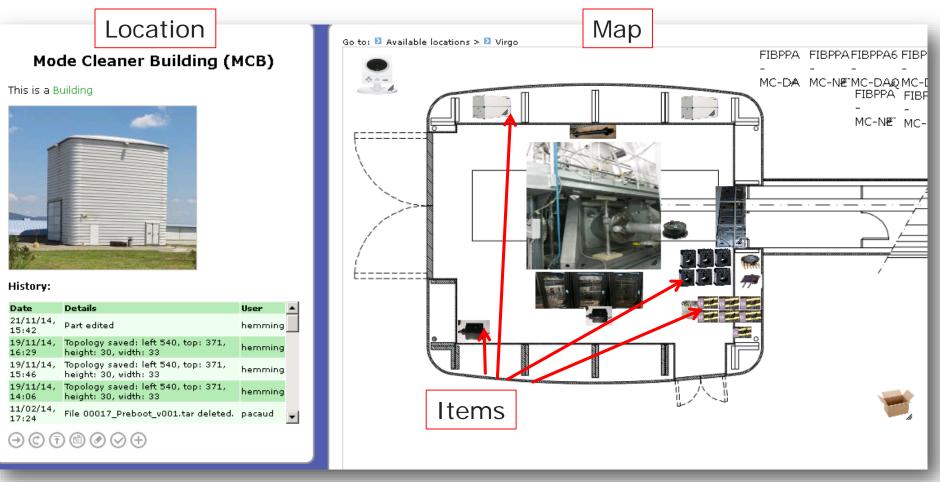
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# **Tools: Hardware Inventory**

### HW inventory for keeping track of installed components

Electronics, viewports, optics, ... Location based

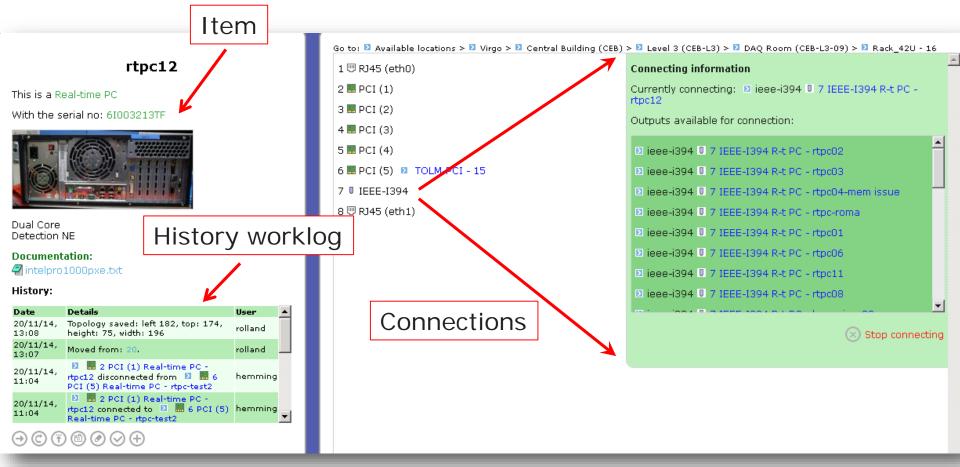


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# **Tools: Hardware Inventory**

#### Tracking of individual items

Items can be modified, moved, ...: tracked in item's history log Connections between electronics parts are managed in the HW database



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# **Tools: Hardware Inventory**

#### Keeps track of part history

Contains also documentation (link to documentation system) Data sheets, photos, measurement results, ...

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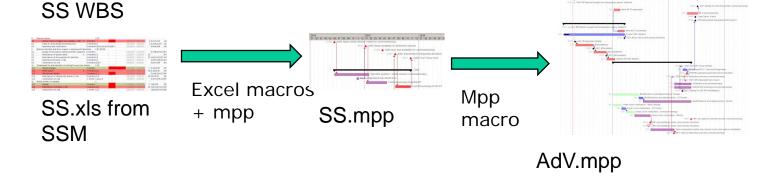
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# **Tools: Documentation System (TDS)**

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VIR-0435A-15	(((@)))	Gabriela Gonzales, Albert Lazzarini, Dave Reitze, Fulvio Ricci	16/10/15	From Step 1 to STEP 2 ofthe the DET. Proc.	Council	
VIR-0434A-15	AdV	PL report @CCB (Oct 7)	15/10/15	G Losurdo	Adv AdV-MAN	
VIR-043BA-15	VSC	Com Release control	14/10/15	B. Swinkels	KAGRA KAGRA	
VIR-0432A-15	VSC	VEB	14/10/15	Gianluca Gemme for the VEB		
VIR-0431A-15	VSC	DA update	14/10/15	Chris Van Den Broeck	GUIN GraWIToN	
VIR-0430A-15	VSC	Communications to the VSC 14-10-2015	14/10/15	Fulvio Ricci	VESF VESF EB	
VIR-0429A-15	VSC	Draft Commissioning documents for the STAC	14/10/15	B. Swinkels	👔 You are a T	DS Administrator
VIR-0428A-15	VSC	AdV report @VSC	14/10/15	G Losurdo	👔 Your Defau	It TDS Instance is: Virgo
VIR-0427A-15	VSC	VDASC report to VSC	14/10/15	Michele Punturo		

# ((@))VIRG> Tools: Excel + MPP + VBA scripting

- Global AdV mpp planning was the reference for project data
- Global AdV WBS
  - Cost
    - Cost distribution over labs, subsystems,...
    - Cost profile
    - Cost statistics during project evolution
  - Manpower estimate
  - Assignment of tasks to labs
  - Budget structure
- Heavy use of VBA scripting for automating work with planning

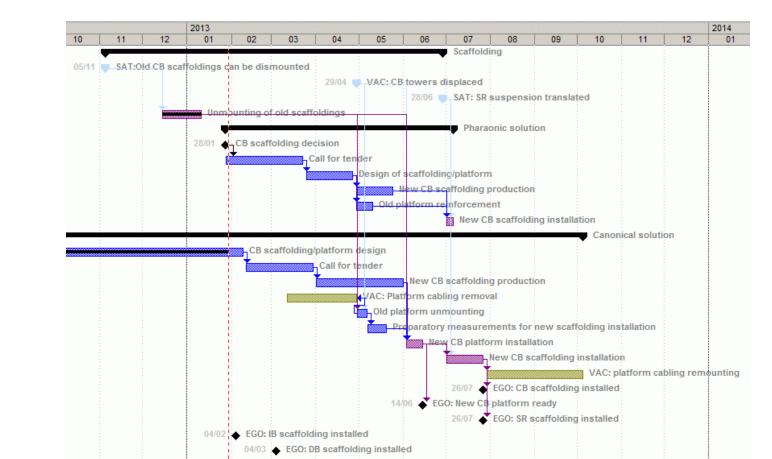


<u>Lessons learned</u>: some of those tools have be less used than others. While introducing tools plan for long term sustainability

> mpp macros for: plausibility checks, critical path, etc.

# **Procurement Case: CB Scaffolding**

- The Problem: a canonical (full permanent) scaffolding solution would have implied:
  - A complete rebuilt of the platform impacting the AdV planning
  - The creation of very strong infrastructural constraints for what concern foreseen or not yet foreseen CB equipment installation (Minitowers, Cryotraps, etc.) or others needs (towers displacement, etc.)



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# **Procurement Case: CB Scaffolding**

#### Draft executive design

- Integrated into overall CB 3D Design and early feedback provided to contractor



### Procurement Case: CB Scaffolding

- Good example of M-CAD Model based Engineering with very tight collaboration with contractor including several visit to contractor production plant.
  - Lessons learned: take your time to wisely select contractors even under tight planning constraints. The time you may waste with not appropriate choices will be much larger

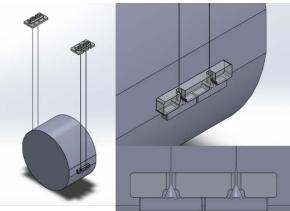
- <u>Lessons learned</u>: the effort spent in building an integrated CAD design is well worth. Plan for the use of 3D laser scanners or photogrammetry for creating the models of your buildings/laboratories/plants in which the 3D CAD of the new components can be integrated.
- Making those models interactive with Virtual Reality (VR) headset technology would be best.
- We spent a non negligible time in correcting problems of mechanical incompatibilities that would have been immediately evident using VR walk troughs

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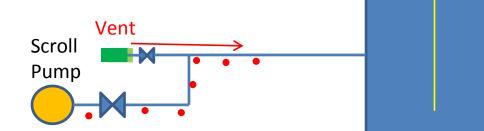
- From late 2015 to late 2016 we experienced several monolithic suspension failures
- Temporary solution: steel wires
- After long investigations all the events were found correlated with vacuum operations: fast dust particles, produced during pumping/venting cycles, hit the fibers and produce the initial fracture
- Several improvements to reduce high-speed dust effect will be implemented:
- Protection structures for the fibers
- Different paths for chamber venting
- New multistage root pumps substituting scroll pumps

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### A Project "Crisis" Case: Monolithic Suspension Failure



 <u>Lessons learned</u>: Problem investigation could greatly speed up once we had been able to reproduce the failure events on a separate test chamber which was late in its setup at the site. Never let your testing facilities lacking behind on the project schedule.





### Conclusions

- The scientific community is eagerly awaiting AdV entering Science operations and join the international detectors network.
- Despite starting late and with less resources we have an operating detector and joining Ligo for the last part of the O2 Science Run is becoming a realistic goal
- We (The Virgo Collaboration and EGO) have been learning a lot during first and second generation detectors construction and we are ready for the third generation



# THANKS FOR YOUR ATTENTION!

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