### LSC



Directors Meeting at TAUP

# Experience from European Underground Labs

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#### Early collaborations

Driven by scientists with interest in services/space in underground labs.

ILIAS - Integrated large infrastructures for astroparticle science - 2004-2009 (Coord. Gerbier).

DULIA - Deep Underground Laboratories Integrated Activities (not funded in various calls).

#### **Difficulties**

No dedicated budget. Underground Labs are 100% supported by host country.

Joint participation in EU calls failed or not prioritized by community (APPEC).

Coordination is understood as a requirement (and as an advantage) to address future challenges, but not seeing as an essential request from our community.



# Currently Working Members

#### **Underground Labs**

LNGS, Ezio Previtali and Aldo Ianni (also in APPEC JS)

LSC, Carlos Peña Garay (also in APPEC GA and JS)

LSM, Jules Gascon; LSBB, Ignacio Lázaro

Boulby, Sean Paling

CallioLab, Julia Puputti

VIRGO, Massimo Carpinelli

#### Institutions:

Germany: Daniel Bemmerer (Felsenkeller). Portugal: Cristina Maria Bernardes Monteiro (LIBPhys-UC). Romania: Alexandru Gherghel-Lascu (IFIN-HH). Poland: Leszek Roszkowski (Copernicus Astronomical Center); Grzegorz Zuzel (Jagiellonian University). Czech Republic: Ivan Stekel (Technical University Prague); Marie Davídková (National Radiation Protection Institute). Ukraine: Fedor Danevich (Institute for Nuclear Research). Slovakia: Fedor Simkovic (Faculty of Mathematics, Physics and Informatics, Bratislava); Martin Plesch (Institute of Physics, Bratislava). Serbia: Dejan Joković (Institute of Physics Belgrade)



#### GOALS

establish a robust cooperation and coordination in key services
establish a European trans-national (TA) access policy
coordinate existing facilities to support research by a Virtual Coordination Office
coordinate ULs strategy for future investments

#### **ACTIONS**

1st common Workshop at LNGS in 2022

Joint participation in EU calls (APOGEIA, ...)

NEW. Joint proposal submitted to 2023 COST Action

NEW. Coordinated activities by ULs worldwide

- Frontiers: Science and Technology in ULs

NEW. Establish TA and Research Coordination agreements between Laboratories.



## Investments and Operation Costs for EULs

DUL	Infrastructures and services [M€]	Operational costs (infrastructures and personnel) [M€/yr]	Operational costs (infrastructures no personnel) [M€/yr]
Boulby	4.52*	1.5	0.7
CallioLab	0.1 (Clab)/2.5 (entire underground infrastructure)**	0.3	0.05
LSC	10.7*	1.6	0.6
LNGS	38.0*	13.6	5.4
LSBB	6.450*	0.77	0.12
LSM	0.7*	0.75	0.25
TOTAL	62.87	18.5	7.12

<sup>\*</sup>Investments in new plants and facilities since 2017

<sup>\*\*</sup>Research space is rented from mine reuse operator on a project-basis. Upkeep of entire underground infrastructure approx. 2.5M€, responsibility of mine reuse operator.



#### **OUR WORK WITHIN APPEC**

- 1. Prioritize the European Underground Laboratories coordination (research in services and transnational access) within the APPEC strategy.
- 2. Activate support from APPEC within the consortium and with EU Institutions. Prepare and present a dedicated portfolio on the EULs coordination project.
  - 3. Get APPEC prioritization to financially support DUL coordination.

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# Bold DULS

