# The ELT project

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### 3 Jun 1948 Inauguration of the Hale telescope



### Kitt Peak, Arizona - 1958

THE OBSERVATORY'S OBJECTIVES ARE TO STRENGTHEN BASIC RESEARCH AND EDUCATION IN ASTRONOMY THROUGHOUT THE UNITED STATES, ITS TERRITORIES AND POSSESSIONS. THE OBSERVATORY IS AVAILABLE TO QUALIFIED PERSONNEL TO CONDUCT RESEARCH IN THE FIELD OF STELLAR AND SOLAR ASTRONOMY.



### **Beginning of the 50s', CERN creation in Europe**



Lausanne, Dec 1949, Louis de Broglie propose the creation of an european laboratory for nuclear physics (Conférence européenne de la culture).

**Florence, Jun 1950** (5e Conférence générale de l'UNESCO), resolution for allowing UNESCO to « assister et encourager la création de laboratoires régionaux pour accroître la coopération scientifique internationale ».

**Paris, Dec 1951**: First resolution for the foundation of the « Conseil européen pour la recherche nucléaire (CERN) » is voted.

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29 Sep 1954: birth of the European Organisation for Nuclear Physics (CERN acronym is preserved)

# ESO: funded in 1962

Allemagne, Belgique, France, Pays-Bas et Suède



Otto Heckmann, ESO's first Director, wrote in his book Sterne, Kosmos, Weltmodelle: "American astronomy, based on large instruments, seemed destined to remain a monologue, even though fruitful science demands dialogue, yes even controversy."

### The situation in France in the 60s'

- Creation of ESO
- Vision of a national organisation to serve the big projects: Jean-François DENISSE, who was Président de l'Observatoire de Paris, Président of CNES and of INAG!
- Construction of the Nançay Radiotelescope and of the Paris Observatory calculator (linked to ESO programmes)
- Decisions for CFHT and IRAM



# **Armazones and Paranal**

### E-ELT (Armazones)

### Armazones Site :

- Altitude: 3046 m
- c.a. 360 nights clear sky
- Very stable atmospheric and weather conditions
  - Rare and short-duration storms. Typ. 1/year, -10C (min), rain or snow fall, possibly high winds
- Very dry and high UV radiation
- Very active seismic area !



VLT (Paranal)



# Why the ESO Observatories are in Chile?

 Excellent conditions in the Atacama Desert
 Extremely dry
 90% clean sky
 Low turbulence
 Very limited light







### And tomorrow, the ELT...

Largest optical/infrared telescope in the world > 39m segmented primary mirror: transformational step

Science: <u>exo-earths</u>, deep universe, resolved populations

Project

Construction 2014-2024, on Cerro Armazones

As integral part of the Paranal Observatory ('one more telescope')

### ESO cost:

- Total Capital cost (e.c. 2017): ~1157 MEUR incl. instr.s and contingency
- Operation cost: ~50 MEUR / year



# **E-ELT - Overview**

### Telescope design

- Altitude-Azimuth mount
- Main Structure about 3400 tons including 700 tons of optomechanics and electronics
- Hydrostatic bearings, driven by electrical direct drive motors
- Precision of 0.3 arcsec under the maximum wind disturbance.
- Two Nasmyth Platforms and one Coude Room for instruments
- Laser launch from M1 edges



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# **ELT Optomechanics**





# M1 Unit



ESO ELT Programme: Status and opportunities







# +ES+

# M4 Unit

- 2.4-m flat adaptive mirror 6 thin-shell petals only 1.95mm thick!
- ~5300 contactless actuators driving the mirror shape at 1 kHz
- Contracts for Final Design and Manufacturing is running









### AO projects for the E-ELT



**XAO: EPICS** 



### LTAO: ATLAS



GLAO-NGS



# Few" IFU 6-8 LGSs in Ø 7.2'

# Multi-Object AO



### MOAO:EAGLE



# Expected performances (seeing = 0.71 arcsec -- perf @ 2.2 µm - on axis perf)

AO type	Nb N-LGSs	Strehl(K) %	% EE in 75mas	FWHM (mas)	Sky Coverage % (60° lat.)	PSF uniformity
SCAO-NGS (postfocal)	1 NGS on-axis	70 <b>→</b> 45	80	11 mas	2	anisoplanatism
NGS-GLAO (Telescope)	3 NGS	<0.3	<8-9	250	50	good
LGS GLAO (Telescope)	4LGS >4.2' 1 NGS	0.3	8-9	250	100	Very good
EAGLE (Postfocal)	6-8LGSs>7.2' 1 NGS	N/A	30	>11	100	Sporadic PSF uniformity
ATLAS (Postfocal)	6 LGSs>4.2' 2 IR NGSs	55	64	11	60	anisoplanatism
MAORY (postfocal)	6LGSs @ 2' 3 IR NGSs	50	58	11	60	Excellent
EPICS	1NGS on axis	90 in H	Few 10-9 contrast	11	Set of targets	N/A

### **Access Road & Platform completed**





# **Dome & Main Structure (DMS)**

# Site hand-over and 1<sup>st</sup> Stone on 26<sup>th</sup> May 2017 Dome PDR done 26-28 Jun 2017 MS PDR scheduled Oct 2017





# Some numbers from ACe...

Walking Time from Main Entrance to the Roof: 30 mins Dome Speed: 1.5m/s at max slewing speed Bolts: about 30 million Engineering manhours: 250.000 Manufacturing manhours: 1.750.000 Erection manhours: 2.150.000 Commissioning manhours: 450.000 Testing manhours: 200.000 Total manhours: 4.800.000 Pointing: 0.4arcsec offset pointing Tracking: 0.3arcsec RMS with 10m/s outside wind

Lifetime: 50 YEARS Maintenance Time: 2.485 hours (3 people for 100 days)

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# Other International ELT projects

### TMT

- 30m telescope
- Institutes in US, Canada, Japan, India, China
- Master agreement signed July 2013
- Groundbreaking Oct 2014 but...
- Maunakea difficulties today



### GMT

- 24m diameter (7x 8m segments)
- Collaboration of private US universities, Australia (ANU + AAL) + Korea
- 3<sup>rd</sup> mirror cast August 2013
- First light (4 segments) planned 2020?
- Funding issues on instruments



# **ELT Status**

- 39m diameter telescope with adaptive optics built in
- Dec 2014: ESO Council gave green light for E-ELT construction in two phases
  - funding approved for Phase I
  - Still expectation that both phases will be completed

• Expected first light 2024



### Dec 2014: green light for the construction

### COUNCIL DECIDES:

- 1. That the construction of the full E-ELT is carried out **in two Phases** with Phase 1 as described in Section 6 of Council document ESO/Cou-1553 rev. 2 conf.
- 2. That the construction period of Phase 1 may extend until 2026 for a cost-to-completion of 1012.5 MEUR in 2014 prices. This amount is fully funded within the annual budgets of ESO without any additional contributions from the Member States, other than those currently approved for the E-ELT (additional contribution of 255 MEUR in 2012 prices and planned 2% increases year-on-year above inflation until 2021), and does not require long-term loans for investments from financial institutions.
- 3. To authorize, independently of progress in the Brazilian ratification process, spending on major items for Phase 1, i.e., the required procurement contracts with a single cost of more than 2 MEUR.
- 4. That a Council decision to authorize the start of Phase 2, or some of its elements, is deferred until sufficient funding is available, with the understanding that if the Brazilian ratification procedure is completed before 2017 first light of the full E-ELT will be brought forward to 2024.
- 5. That in accordance with the Terms of Reference of **the E-ELT Management Advisory Committee**, approved by Council on 4-5 March 2014 (doc. ESO/Cou-1509 conf. rev.), this Committee shall advise Council and the Director General on how and when external reviews shall be conducted. It shall meet first in early 2015.

# But funds for phase 1 only

Phase 1 is identical to the baseline design in almost every aspect except the pre-focal station.

The M1 segments remain unchanged except for the total number procured. The rest of the optics, M2, M3, M4 and M5 are all unchanged.

The instrumentation suite provided by Phase 1 comprises:

- 1. MICADO together with the MAORY Multi Conjugate Adaptive Optics system and four sodium lasers to give full sky coverage.
- 2. HARMONI in Single Conjugate Adaptive Optics mode, and
- 3. METIS, also in Single Conjugate Adaptive Optics mode
- 4. Preliminary Design level funding of the LTAO module Competitive
- 5. Phase A studies for the MOS and HIRES instruments and their subsequent funding to Preliminary Design Level.

# Phase 2 items (as of Dec'14)

	Material	ESO FTE	Total		Recom-	Priority for
Item	Cost	Cost	Cost	Impact if delayed	mendation	restoration in Phase 2
Power conditioning	11.0	1.0	12.0	Science efficiency (more technical downtime) but does not compromise either First Light or science operations	Phase 2 (if still needed)	6
Armazones support building	1.0	-	1.0	Impact on operations, not on science	Phase 2	7
Atmospheric monitoring	1.0	0.6	1.6	Minimal impact on operations	Phase 2	2
7 <sup>th</sup> sector of M1 segments	19.7	0.1	19.8	No science impact in first five years	Phase 2	4
Inner 5 rings of M1 segments	29.8	-	29.8	26% loss of collecting area (but still the biggest ELT)	Phase 2	3
METIS (post PDR)	10.4	1.8	12.2	Significant impact on science and on community	Phase 1	
Second pre- focal station	9.3	0.1	9.4	No impact for first 2 (possibly 3) instruments	Phase 2	4
Descope First PFS	9.3	0.1	9.4	Reduced FOV and no GLAO	Phase 2	5
Defer 2 (of 6) Laser systems	2.8	0.7	3.5	Reduced Strehl compared to baseline	Phase 2	4
MAORY	14.7	4.9	19.6	Significant (SCAO only for MICAO)	Phase 1	
LTAO	9.6	0.4	10.0	Significant (SCAO only for HARMONI & METIS)	Phase 2	1
Adaptive M4	28.0	1.5	29.5	Severe – no AO on E-ELT	Phase 1	
Contingency (proportional)	10.0	-	10.0		Phase 2	
Grand Total	156.7	11.2	167.8			
Total Phase 2	103.6	3.0	106.5			

1) LTAO up to PDR within HARMONI contract.

2) Missing segments in option in the contracts but Australia agreement will soon permit to solve this important issue.

3) 2<sup>nd</sup> PFS is critical for the 2<sup>nd</sup> generation instruments (MOS, HIRES, +++)

4) Important to note
 that the 2<sup>nd</sup> gen
 instruments are in the
 operating budget

### E-ELT Instrumentation Roadmap (Jan 2015)

Year	ELT-IFU	ELT- CAM	elt-Mir	ELT- MOS	ELT- HIRES	ELT-6	ELT-PCS
2014	Decide science requirements, AO architecture.		VISIR start on- sky	Develop science requirements for MOS/HIRES			Start ETD
2015				Cal for Proposals Start Phase A			
2016				Consortium Selection for construction		Califor protosals	
2017		PDR					
2018				$\boldsymbol{\times}$	$\boldsymbol{\times}$		TRL check
2019						Selection	Start when ready
2020							
2021							
2022							
2023							
2024							



- Top level requirements being developed with PST
- Instrument science cases used as starting point
- Within each instrument, prioritisation of cases + modes still to be done

# The first light instruments





# Instruments

MICADO, HARMONI, METIS, MAORY (design & construction on-going)

MOS & HIRES (Phase A studies on-going)



ESO ELT Programme: Status and opportunities

## MAORY functional block diagram



26 Jan 2015



## MICADO General Overview

- First light general purpose Imaging Camera for the ELT
- Multi-AO Imaging Camera for Deep Observations
- R-K (0.8-2.4µm) FoV: 1'
- spectral resolution, 4000 to 8000
- SCAO/MCAO (MAORY) correction for diffraction limited imaging (small field/large field)
- Coronagraph, Pupil masks





# MICADO principles





# HARMONI General Overview

- First light general purpose Integral Field Spectrograph for E-ELT
  - Work horse instrument with wide appeal
  - Early 'highlight' science on key objects/projects
  - Low/no technology risks
- V-K (0.5-2.4µm) wavelength coverage
- Wide range of spectral resolutions
- Range of spatial resolutions from diffraction to seeing limited
- LTAO/SCAO correction



COSMOS lens; Faure & Knieb





### **BASELINE HARMONI**



### METIS

### Imager L and M band IFU spectrograph L/ M R=100000







### Some history (of science drivers)

- 1990s: Early work ELTs: OWL and Euro-50
  - Versatile, optical-IR telescopes
  - Excellent image quality, steerable, range of instrumentation
- Community meetings
  - E.g. Backaskog 1999
- 2005: OPTICON science case document
- 2006: E-ELT SWG formed
  - Chair M. Franx, later IH
  - Report in April 2006
- 2006: Marseilles meeting
  - Baseline 40m design presented
- 2011: Construction proposal published Dec
  - Science case, DRM report
- 2012: SWG replaced by PST at end of Phase B
  - Chair G. Bono
- 2012: ESO Council approved E-ELT programme June



### Highlight Science Cases FOR A 50M-100M EXTREMELY LARGE TELESCOPE

The science case presented in this document demonstrates the very wide range of applications for an ELT, Of these a few stand out as "highlights" and have generated particularly high levels of enthusiasm and discussion among the European ELT science group. These highlighted cases are:

> (1) Terrestrial exoplanets (Section 3.1.1)

- (2) Resolved stellar populations in a representative section of the Universe (Sections 4.2 and 4.3)
- (3) First light and the re-ionisation history of the Universe (Section 5.2)

These are seen as some of the most exciting prospects for ELTs procisely because they push the limits of what can be achieved, and they will provide some of the most technically challenging specifications on telescope design. The boundaries of what is achievable in these scientific areas (and others) will not be known exactly until the ELT is in operation, although more procise feasibility assessments will be possible when the technical studies described above are complete. We now present the science case that we believe is within range of a 50-100m ELT based on our current understanding of the technical issues.

### **Planets and Stars**

Solar system comets

Extrasolar-system comets (FEBs)

### Extrasolar planets:

- imaging
- radial velocities
- Free-floating planets

**Stellar clusters (inc. Galactic Centre)** 

Magnetic fields in star formation regions

Origin of massive stars

LMC field star population

Circumstellar disks, young and debris

Stellar remnants

Asteroseismology

### **Stars and Galaxies**

Intracluster population

- Colour-Magnitude diagrams
- CaII spectroscopy of IRGB stars
- Planetary nebulae and galaxies

Stellar clusters and the evolution of galaxies

### **Resolved stellar populations:**

- Colour-Magnitude diagram Virgo
- abundances & kinematics Sculptor galaxies
- abundances & kinematics M31- CenA

Spectral observations of star clusters:

- internal kinematics & chemical abundances

- ages and metallicities of star cluster systems

- Young, massive star clusters
- imaging
- spectroscopy
- The IMF throughout the Local Group
- Star formation history through supernovae
- search and light curves
- spectroscopy

### Black holes/AGN

**Galaxies and Cosmology** 

Dark energy: Type Ia SNe as distance indicators

- search and light curves
- spectroscopy

**Dynamical measurement of universal expansion** 

Constraining fundamental constants

First light - the highest redshift galaxies

Galaxies and AGN at the end of reionization

Probing reionization with GRBs and quasars

### **Metallicity of the low-density IGM**

IGM tomography

- bright LBGs and quasars
- faint LBGs
- Galaxy formation and evolution:
- Physics of high-z galaxies
- integrated spectroscopy
- high resolution imaging
- high spatial resolution spectroscopy
- Gravitational lensing
- Deep Galaxy Studies at z=2-5

# Synergies with major facilities



- Sensitivity
- High angular resolution
  - matched to ALMA and SKA
  - 7x sharper images than JWST
- Follow-up of sources discovered by other telescopes
  - Spectroscopic and high angular resolution
  - Identification and physics

# Exoplanets: Are we alone?

How do planetary systems form? How common are systems like ours? What atmospheres do planets have? Are there other Earths? Can we detect signs of life?

### E-ELT Direct Detection

Spatial resolution & sensitivity Resolution of dusty disks in which they are forming Indirect methods: Radial velocity and astrometry Potential to reach lower-mass planets, including Earth-mass Characterise atmospheres Constituent elements, signs of life

## The Galactic Centre

AO observations imply supermassive Black Hole with mass of ~3x10<sup>6</sup>  $M_{\odot}$  VLT (Genzel et al), Keck (Ghez et al)



Simulations by MICADO group e.g. Trippe et al 2010

### E-ELT Spatial resolution

orbits of stars at 100-1000 x BH event horizon: sensitive to SR and GR effects

# **Resolved Stellar Populations**

- Understand the merger history of galaxies by measuring properties of individual stars
- Aim for representative galaxies implies representative volume

E-ELT Spatial resolution Colour-magnitude diagrams Spatially resolved spectroscopy

HST image of NGC300, a spiral galaxy at 2 megaparsecs,

# High-z galaxies



Sensitivity Structure from highresolution imaging Dynamics and physics from spatially resolved spectroscopy

# Reionisation

- QSO spectra and CMB constrain reionisation epoch 6 < z < 10</li>
- Sources are beyond current detection limits
- Reionisation history unknown

### E-ELT

- Ly-α emission fraction in LBGs
- Absorption-line spectra of QSOs at z>6 (isotropy &
  - homogeneity of
    - reionisation)
  - Enrichment of IGM



### Cosmology and Fundamental physics

- Constancy of fundamental coupling constants
  - Test for variations of  $\alpha, \mu$  : variations expected in string theory
  - Possible detection of variation in  $\alpha$  or instrumental effect? (Whitmore et al 2015)
  - ESPRESSO then E-ELT will make leaps in sensitivity
  - Future constraints can provide constraints on Dark Energy models (e.g. Calabrese et al 2013)
- Sandage test (redshift drift)
  - Direct measurement of the changing expansion of the universe via precise measurements of Ly- $\alpha$  line positions with time
  - Very demanding stability (2cm/s absolute calibration)
  - (See Liske et al 2008)







Brightness ratio at distance: [mas]	30	100	300	Limiting stellar Magnitude I
685 N.34	11.0x	1		band:
Science Case 1	10-6	10 <sup>-6</sup>	10-6	9 (goal: 10)
Science Case 2		2 10 <sup>-9</sup> (goal 10 <sup>-9</sup> )	10 <sup>-9</sup> goal 4 10 <sup>-10</sup> )	7 (goal: 8)
Science Case 3	10 <sup>-8</sup> )	10 <sup>-9</sup>	10	7 (goal: 8)
Science Case 4	2 10 <sup>-9</sup> (goal 10 <sup>-9</sup> )	10 <sup>-9</sup> (goal 4 10 <sup>-10</sup> )	5 10 <sup>-10</sup> (goal 2 10 <sup>-10</sup> )	5 (goal: 6)









Matsuo et al. (2013)



Habitability

# JWST

- Primary 6.6m (surface 25m<sup>2</sup>)
- Segmented, deployable
- Large solar panel => passive cooling (50K)
- Diffraction limited at  $\lambda > 2\mu m$ ; R = 0.06 0.6"
- Spectral coverage : 0.6 28 μm
- Imaging, spectroscopy, Coronagraph
- Life time : 5 yrs (nominal) 10 ?





cost (1999) : \$ 0.5 G\$

cost (2013): \$ 8.8 G\$





Seager et al. 2010



### MIRI coronagraphs





Simus A. Boccaletti

# NIRCAM





# NIRSPEC



0.6 - 5 mic microshutter 200mas R = 100, 1000, 2700

## Exoplanets Imaging JWST







### Complementarity ground & space • JWST : light planets further than 1"

• Ground AO : planets within 1"

### Niche for JWST

• Light, young giant planets (0.2 MJup, 10 AU)

>2MJup planets few au from <2Gyr, close (<10pc) M awarts</li>



Beichman, 2010

### Direct imaging of exoplanets Longer term future









Large aperture, Near-IR



WFIRST Small aperture Optical

### Concept studies for the Astro decadal 2020 4 missions selected in 2016 for studies

10 - 12 m telescope + coronograph Earth like planets

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