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Successful collaboration between Technology Platforms (TP) and industry: conditions, constraints and perspectives

### Experience from Bilfinger Noell GmbH

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### Introduction

- Introducing Bilfinger Noell GmbH
- Two thoughts on collaborations
- Collaborations: large scale projects

SCU and SCW

meteorology

SC Flywheel

Conditions, Constraints, Perspectives



# Introducing Bilfinger Noell GmbH

# **Noell within Bilfinger**

### Synergy and stability



## **Passion for PRODUCTS**

### A diverse market spectrum

#### **ENERGY**



Superconducting flywheel energy storage

### ACCELERATOR

### SCIENCE



### PINE mobile cloud chamber

MAGNETS



### Conduction-cooled superconducting solenoid

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**Conduction-cooled** 

superconducting

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	Engineering	Vacuum technology	Cryogenics
NOELL CORE		808	
COMPETENCES	Multi-physics approach towards complex engineering tasks for custom design solutions	Extensive experience in the design and manufacture of complex UHV components and vacuum vessels	Highly efficient design of both helium and conduction-cooled systems down to 2 K
Series production	Testing capabilities	Magnet technology	Specialized hardware
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# Two thoughts on collaborations

**Noell is looking back on numerous successful collaborations** 

# for a **successful** collaboration.

**Common** Goal

Synergy between unique skillsets of partners

**Open and Transparent co-operation** 

Solution oriented culture

http://eu-amici.eu/download/AMICI\_Industry\_Days\_-\_BNG.pdf

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### **Different Kinds of Collaborations**

or who contributes what, when and why – depending on the boundary conditions

#### **Goal** of collaboration:

Realize research project or industrial product Development for research project: academia defines goals Industrial product development: industry defines goals

#### **Contribution** of Partners:

Basic condition: know-how and ressources (incl. TPs) of partners Selection criteria: create synergy of partner's strength, basic research, tests, characterisation by academia manufacturing development, manufacturing by industry TRL typically influences the SoW of a project

#### Framework of the collaboration

Agreement on protection of background and use of foreground IP Financial comittment of partners and funding situation

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July 07, 2015

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### The LHC collides ions at new record

#### energy

25 Nov 2015

Geneva, 25 November 2015. After the succ months of data taking with proton collision

with the first Magnetic field of Wendelstein 7-X exact to a hundredcollider expe thousandth

> Evaluation of magnetic field measurement / Overview in " veerheavy element 117 weighs in Communications"

November 30, 2016

# Collaborations



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### **Classical Project Oriented Collaborations**

Principal setup of successful large scale projects always similar:

e.g.: LHC Dipoles, W7-X np coils, FAIR SIS100 Dipols + QDM, HL-LHC magnets ...



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# SUPERCONDUCTING UNDULATORS

**SINCE 2007** 



Institute for Beam Physics and Technology Prof. Dr. A.-S. Müller

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https://www.kit.edu/kit/23201.php

### **Performance of SCUs -**

A Proven Advantage

Status 2019:

Two devices manufactured and successfully operated in accelerator producing light

Higher peak field on axis for the same gap and period length in operation with electron beam.

Demonstrated higher radiation resistance compared to permanent magnet undulators.

**TP** (KARA at KIT): assisted development with scientific input, provided testing and characterization facility (CASPAR-2), was essential to demonstrate project success (ANKA/KARA)



## **Prototype to Product**

KIT-NOELL collaboration from TRL0 to TRL9

Throughout all development phases: **TP:** accelerator and insertion device expertise **Industry:** magnet expertise

#### Design, development:

**TP:** basic research on SCUs, test of mock-ups **Industry:** manufacturing of mock-ups, development of complete magnet design

#### Demonstrator, industrialisation:

**TP:** test of components, test of demonstrator and product **Industry:** manufacturing of demonstrator and product

#### Series product:

**TP:** test of product (incl. component tests) **Industry:** manufacturing of product

Succesfull collaboration throughout all TRL exploiting synergies of TP and Industry core competences!



# **Product Development:** Scientific Instrument

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https://www.noell.bilfinger.com/pine/

https://www.kit-technology.de/en/newsletter/innovation-project/



### **Mobile Cloud Chamber**

PINE revolutionizes the field of atmospheric ice nucleating particle measurements

Allows researchers to perform fully automated campaigns and longterm monitoring down to -60°C.

Application in cloud physics research

https://www.noell.bilfinger.com/pine/



TP KIT AIDA as competence center in cloud chamber technology developed demonstrator for scaled down cloud chamber (TRL6/7)

NOELL as industrial partner with expertise in industrialization, vacuum technology and cryogenics

Collaboration to bring the PINE cloud chamber to TRL9 TP: tests incl. evaluation, software for data-analysis, calibration of PINE at cloud chamber AIDA Industry: new user friendly cooling concept (patent), product design with prototyping on components, manufacturing

PINE: highly integrated system for Ex-Lab use hit market successfully after development cycle <12 month!

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# SC flywheel energy storage Project FlyGrid



# Fast cycling energy storage to improve power quality

- Smoothing/buffering of energy feed-in for distributed / volatile / renewable generation
- Grid stabilization and support at local nodes
- Power management in industry, public transportation
  and island networks

### **Advantages**

- High power in small foot-print
- No degradation under cycling
- Frequency and voltage control
- Spinning reserve
- Black start capability



### Project initiated and led by Noell

**Previous projects:** 

- NOELL in-house development of demonstrator
- BMWi funded project with TU-Braunschweig (IMAB) and DLR to develop the protoype

Goal of FlyGrid – Industrialization (TRL8/9): Develop industry ready Flywheell (NOELL and KIT-ETI), demonstrate performance at KIT Power hardware in the loop TP (KIT ITEP), demonstrate performance in the field (Netzgesellschaft Heibronn Franken)

Publically funded by BMWi

**TP** KIT: development of power electronics, test and characterization of prototype **Industry** (NOELL and NHF): prototype, field test



# Conditions, Constraints, Perspectives

### **<u>Conditions</u>**, Constraints, Perspectives

- TP's and industry are complementary and enable synergies to be leveraged:
  TPs (scientific research, test ...) industry (manufacturing, industrialization ...)
- All partners must gain added value (know-how, resources, publications, benefit,...)
- Academia could support industry by
  - Providing test infrastructure and expertise for characterization and qualification
  - Support product research and development with know-how
- Industry could support academia by
  - Studies, prototyping and series productions (cost and schedule optimization)
- Support of development activities by public funding is essential for TPs and industry

### Conditions, Constraints, Perspectives

- Large research projects (FCC, DEMO, Light sources...) as technology drivers
  - Academia's strength: research, development and complex tests
  - Early involvement of industry by studies and prototyping can reduce cost
  - Manufacturing at industry necessary to secure industrial know-how and jobs
- Product development
  - TP needs funding to provide and conserve know how and infrastructures
  - Administration for TP services have to be simple and fast, IPR regulations too
  - Reliable planning and availability of personnel and equipment is essential

### Conditions, Constraints, Perspectives

- Cooperation of TP's and industry enables synergies and is essential for progress
- Collaboration works best when both sides bring in their strength
- A win-win situation is essential (common project goals, fair share of funding and risks, commensurable IP regulations)
- New products and markets can be opened up with the development of the institutes and product development in the industry. (Rol to TP's through IPR royalties)
- Funding must be adapted to the specific requirements, new tools (e.g. innovation partnerships) enable new chances



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# Thank you! QUESTIONS?



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