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EuPRAXIA 2nd SITE

View from CNR

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MOTIVATION

- Long term engagement in high power laser and laser-plasma interactions;
- Strong multidisciplinary scientific potential;
- Emerging innovation and disruptive approaches;
- Leverage on national support to the field;
- Growing industrial impact of intense lasers.



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Consiglio Nazionale delle Ricerche (CNR)

Il CNR in numeri



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È il **primo** ente di ricerca per numero di ricercatori

8503

52% Uomini **48%** Donne

Il CNR conta su un patrimonio di risorse umane di circa 8.500 persone, di cui oltre **5559** impegnati in **ricerca** e attività di **supporto alla ricerca**

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Dipartimenti

70%

Ricercatori

88

Istituti di ricerca

228

Sedi e laboratori sul territorio

30

Unità di Ricerca presso terzi

3

Basi di ricerca permanenti ai Poli

330

Famiglie di brevetti

50

Imprese e Spin off

51

Accordi bilaterali con 37 paesi



Il CNR si rivolge alla **società** attraverso numerose iniziative aperte al grande pubblico quali **mostre scientifiche interattive**, **exhibi** presso i principali **science center** italiani e stranieri, conferenze ed eventi di divulgazione. Tra le mostre più recenti "Aqua: il futuro è nell'oceano" e "Arctic. Viaggio interattivo al Polo Nord" illustrano temi di ricerca strategici per l'Ente. Le 90 edizioni realizzate hanno registrato oltre **900.000 visitatori**

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Una particolare attenzione è rivolta al mondo della **scuola** a cui sono dedicati progetti divulgativi, laboratori e kit didattici, incontri, corsi di aggiornamento per docenti. Su tutto il territorio nazionale, inoltre sono attivi **progetti PCTO**.



Tra i primati dell'Ente, anche quello del primo nome a dominio registrato in Italia: **cnuce.cnr.it**, registrato a Pisa nel 1987. Da allora, il CNR gestisce e mantiene le attività dei "domini" attraverso **Registro.it**, l'anagrafe dei nomi a dominio italiano



Bilancio totale* **1.049.546.767**

37% Entrate esterne

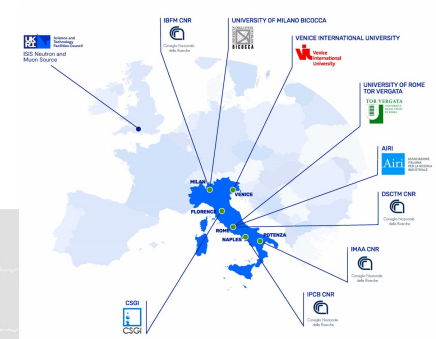
*Fonte: Rapporto tecnico al CNR, La Rete Scientifica-Dato aggiornato al 31/12/2021



Nel **2023**, il CNR celebra **100 anni** dalla sua istituzione: era infatti il **1923** quando, presso la sede dell'Accademia Nazionale dei Lincei, sotto la presidenza di **Vito Volterra**, il Consiglio Nazionale delle Ricerche nasceva come "ente morale" con il compito di svolgere attività di formazione, promozione e coordinamento della ricerca in tutti i settori scientifici e tecnologici



ELI ERIC
Host Member Countries
Founding Members
Founding Observers



Strong commitments to large scale facilities

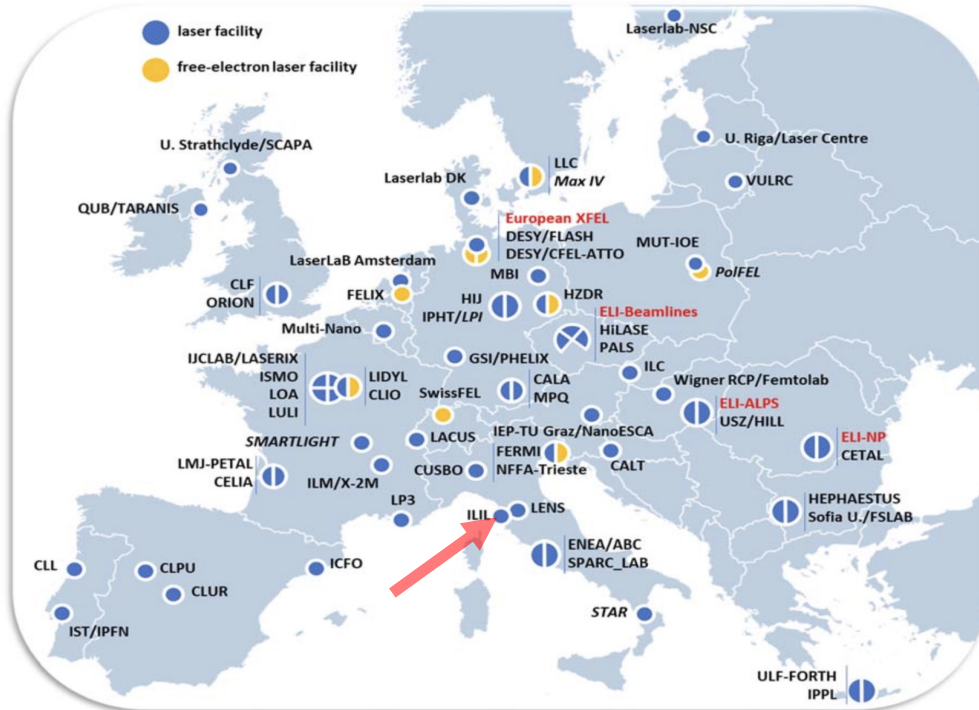
<http://www.dsftm.cnr.it/large-scale-facilities/>

ELETTRA and FERMI (beamlines),
ESRF (beamlines)
ILL, ISIS, ESS, NFFA, XFEL, ELI

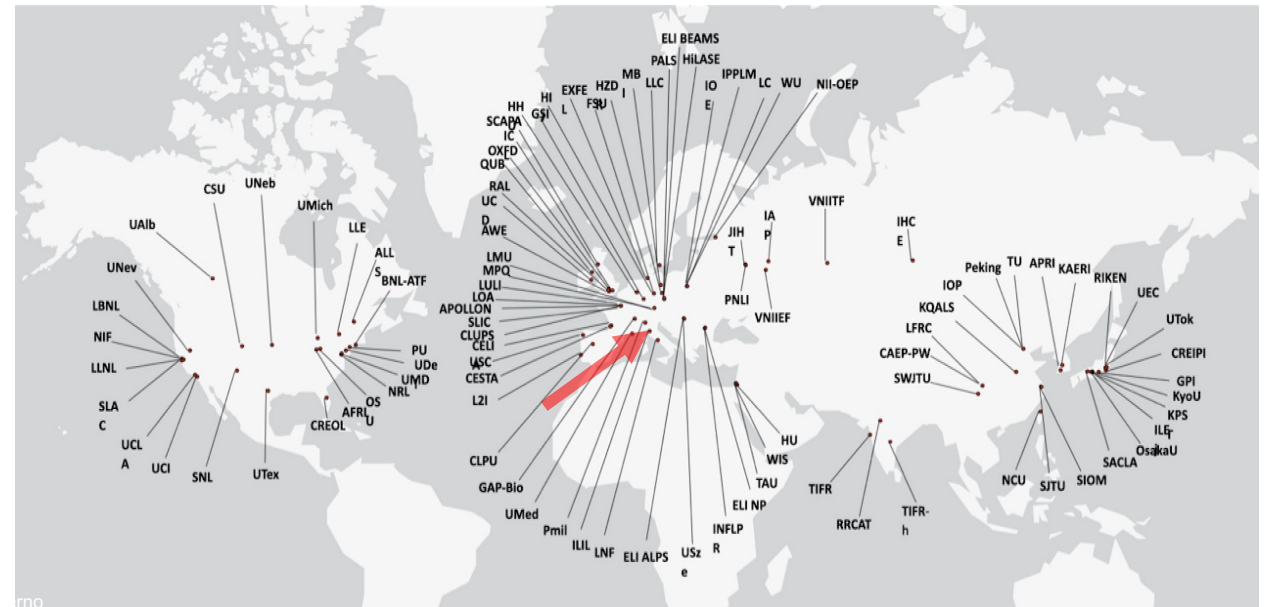


 *Consiglio Nazionale delle Ricerche*
Area della Ricerca di Pisa





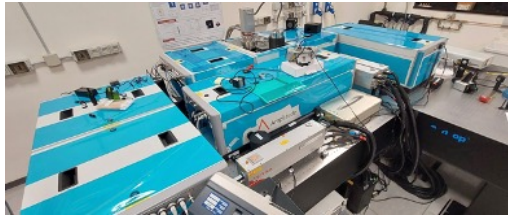
Fast growing research and technology
Emerging new installations



Overview of **laser** and **light** sources infrastructures obtained by a recent LASERLAB-ELI-ERIC joint study.



ICUIL World map of lasers with peak power >100 TW, G. Mourou Nobel Lecture: "Extreme light physics and application", Rev. Mod. Phys., 91, 030501 (2019).



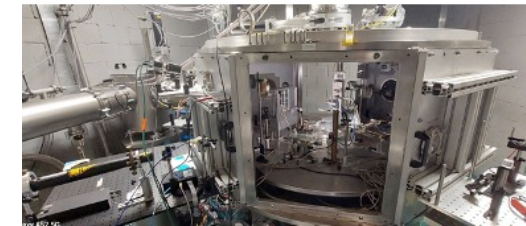
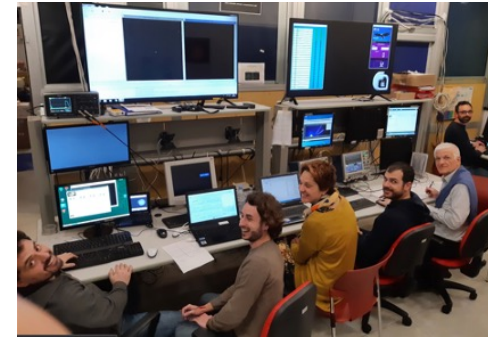
NEW HAP LASER DEV. LAB

A member of Laserlab-Europe-AISBL



LASER CAPABILITIES:

- 240 TW, Ti:Sa, up to 5 Hz, 27 fs;
- 1kHz, >20 mJ, Ti:Sa + OPA
- 100 Hz, >1J, TiSA (procurement in progress)



USER CONTROL ROOM

TESTING AND PROTOTYPING

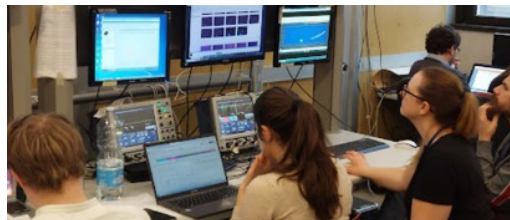
**LASER FRONT END
10 TW, 10 Hz**

**POWER AMPLIFIER
Up to 240 TW**

SHIELDED TARGET AREA FOR PARTICLE ACCELERATION

NEW BEAMLINE for PRE-CLINICAL STUDIES

NEW HIGH DOSE UNDERGROUND BUNKER



High intensity laser-plasma interaction physics and applications

- **Laser-plasma acceleration**

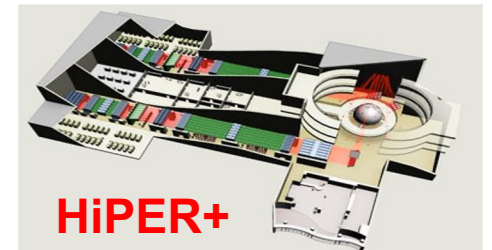
- High quality GeV electron beamline design
- VHEE beamline for medical applications
- Advanced laser-target interaction for proton beamline and applications

- **Laser-fusion studies**

- LPI studies for Inertial Fusion (HiPER+)
- kJ, laser concept development
- Material studies

- **Laser development**

- 100 Hz beamline
- kHz laser technology development for high efficiency operation

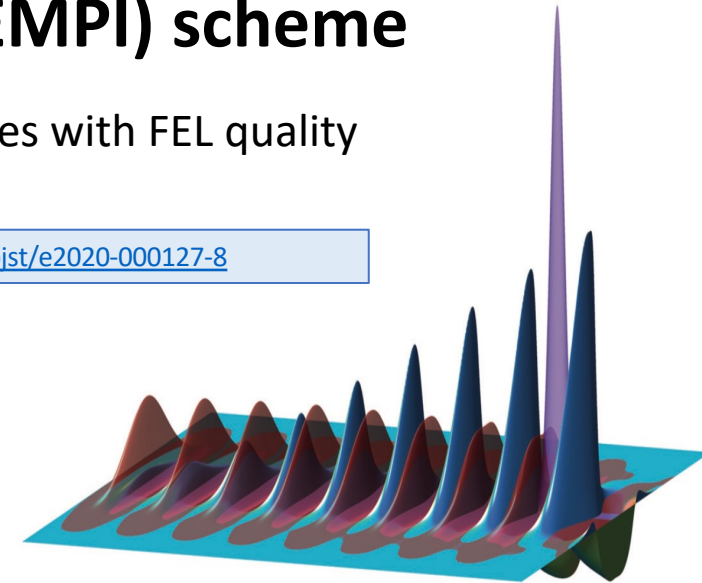


The REsonant MUlti-Pulse Ionization Injection (REMPI) scheme

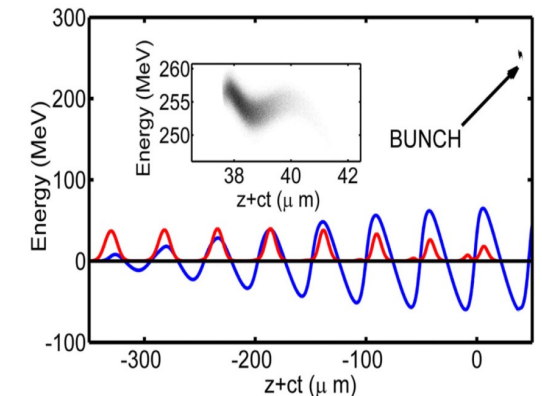
Motivation: Within the project we aim at generating 4.5/5GeV bunches with FEL quality

R. Assmann et al., “EuPRAXIA Conceptual Design Report” The European Physical Journal Special Topics **229**, 3675–4284 (2020); <https://doi.org/10.1140/epjst/e2020-000127-8>

Bunch specifications - GOAL:	dE/E SLICE	ϵ_n SLICE	Q	I_{peak}
	<0.1%	<0.1 mm mrad	>30 pC	>2kA



- This is a very challenging working point for a plasma-based accelerator.
- We developed a laser-driven scheme, the *Resonance Multi-Pulse Ionization Injection scheme (REMPI [1])*
- The REMPI scheme combines the most advanced concepts conceived to date in LWFA to deliver high quality electron beam to drive an X-ray FEL.

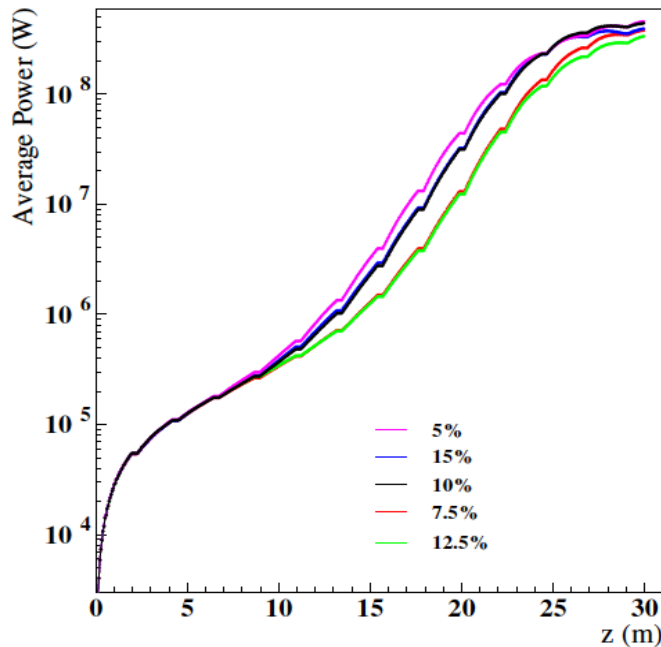


[1] Test platform: P. Tomassini et al., “The resonant multi-pulse ionization injection,” *Physics Of Plasmas* **24**, 103120, 2017.



Up to 39 m planar undulator line with period $\lambda_u = 14$ mm, with $E_{\text{beam}} \approx 4.5$ GeV, the resonant wavelength of 1.5 Å.

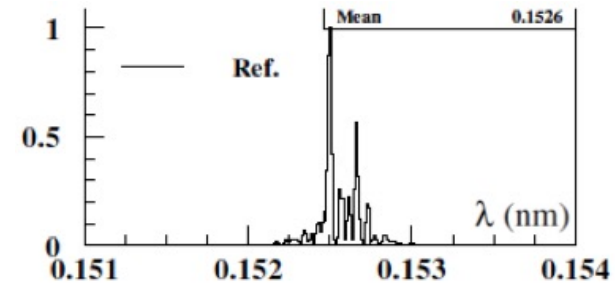
The Self-Amplified Stimulated Emission (SASE) vs. pulse energy, gain length and resonant wavelength



e-beam	L_G [m]	$E_p(z_{\text{exit}})$ [μJ]	λ_{exit} [nm]
7.5%	1.753	9.28	0.152619
15%	1.781	9.60	0.152533
5%	1.912	11.15	0.152546
12.5%	1.756	8.22	0.152574
10%	1.791	10.78	0.152568
RMS	0.065	1.6	0.000033

Emission stable against plasma density variations (10%)

P. Tomassini, L. Giannessi, A. Giribono, F. Nguyen, and L. A. Gizzi, "Brilliant X-Ray Free Electron Laser Driven by Resonant Multi-Pulse Ionization Injection Accelerator", presented at the FEL2022, Trieste, Italy, Aug. 2022, paper TUP17.

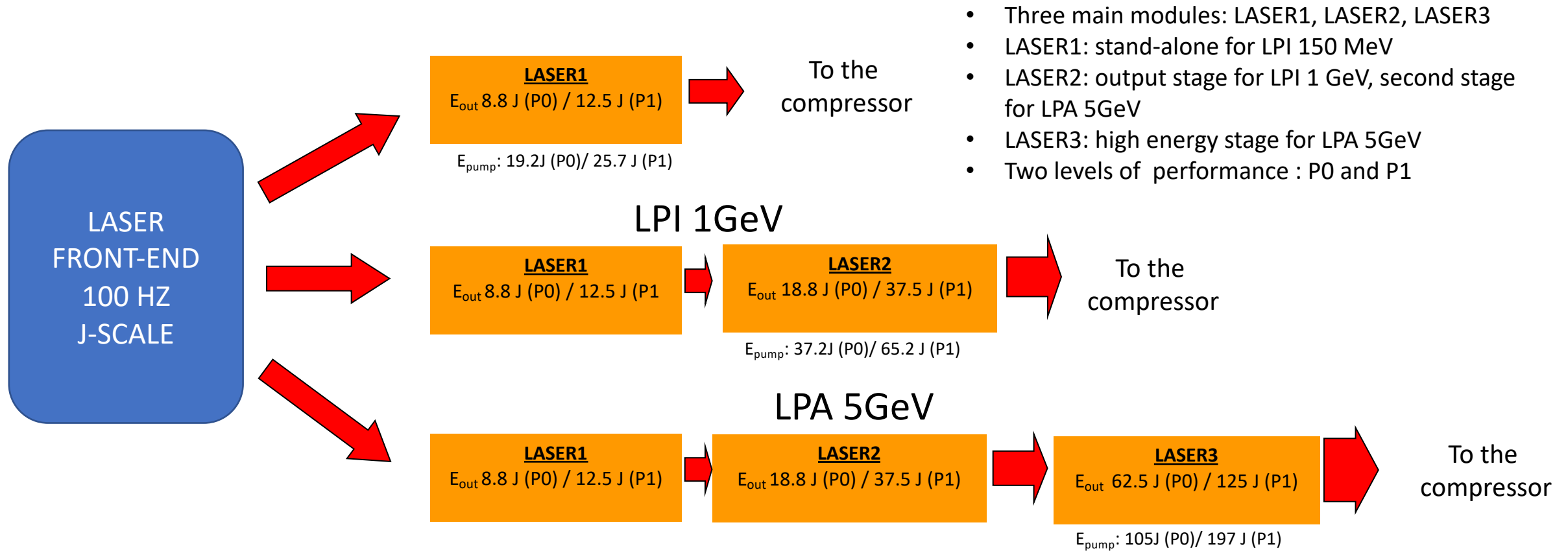


GENESIS 1.3 simulations by Federico NGUYEN (ENEA, Frascati)

Now working on the proof of principle implementation and model refining

See WG1 talk today by Paolo Tomassini (ELI-NP)





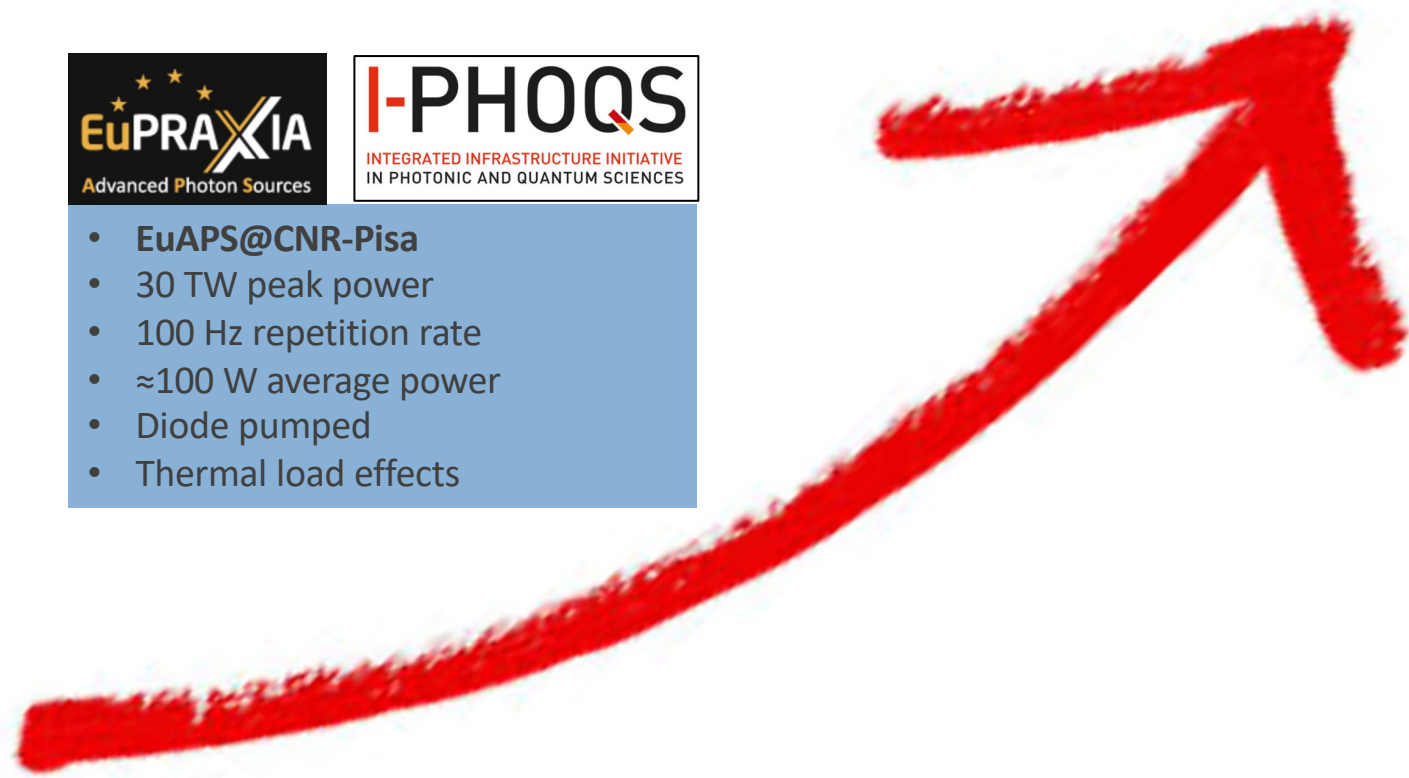
Eupraxia laser development is aimed at delivering more efficient, kW-PW laser driver for plasma acceleration at >100 Hz rate

- **EuPRAXIA**
- PW class,
- 100 Hz repetition rate,
- multi kW average power,
- diode pumped
- Full thermal load transport



- EuAPS@CNR-Pisa
- 30 TW peak power
- 100 Hz repetition rate
- ≈100 W average power
- Diode pumped
- Thermal load effects

- **CURRENT**
- PW class,
- Hz repetition rate,
- ≈10 W average power
- flashlamp pumped
- No thermal load transport



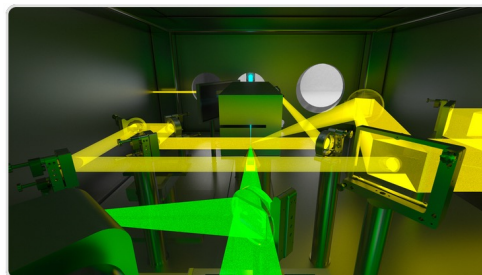
High repetition rate (100 Hz) will speed up R&D of pending issues for Ti:Sa laser TDR

<p>THERMAL MANAGEMENT OF POWER AMPLIFIERS</p> <p>WATER/GAS COOLING</p> <p>Prototyping needed</p>	<p>AMPLIFIER GEOMETRY TRANSMISSION VS. REFLECTION</p> <p>Multipass transmission</p> <p>Multipass reflection</p> <p>Prototyping needed</p>	<p>DPSSL PUMP SOURCES TECHNOLOGY</p> <p>DIPOLE 100 (STCF)</p> <p>Currently no solution for full system specs (P1): development</p>	<p>DIODE LASERS EFFICIENCY, BRIGHTNESS AND LIFETIME</p> <p>Needs development</p>	<p>COMPRESSOR AND TRANSPORT: THERMAL AND MECHANICAL STABILITY</p> <p>Gold -> MD, MLD, MMLD</p> <p>reduction of the thermal load cooling of residual heat control of thermal effects</p> <p>Diode: Major Influences</p> <p>Main challenges: large optics, mechanical stability, beam quality control, pointing stability</p>
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Strong upgrade of existing labs and implementation of user access to unique laser and laser-plasma configurations

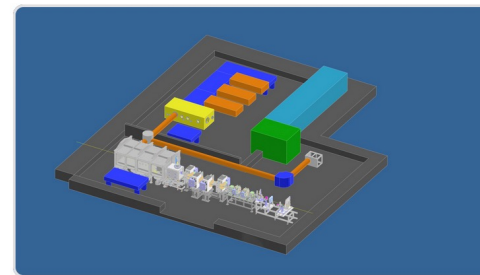
Research

The **EuPRAXIA Advanced Photon Sources (EuAPS)** project, led by INFN in collaboration with CNR and University of Tor Vergata, foresees the construction of a laser-driven “betatron” X Ray user facility at the LNF SPARC_LAB laboratory. EuAPS includes also the development of high power (up to 1 PW at LNS) and high repetition rate (up to 100 Hz at CNR Pisa) drive lasers for EuPRAXIA. EuAPS has received a financial support of 22.3 MEuro from the PNRR plan on “creation of a new RI among those listed in NPRI with medium or high priority” and has received the highest score for the action 3.1.1 of the ESFRI area “Physical Sciences and Engineering”.



Betatron Radiation Source

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High Power Laser Beamline

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High Repetition Rate Laser Beamline

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Strengthens the integration of national effort in the field and paves the way to further initiatives

A new network of priority national RI with a broad view on photonics and related fields, including **high field photonics**

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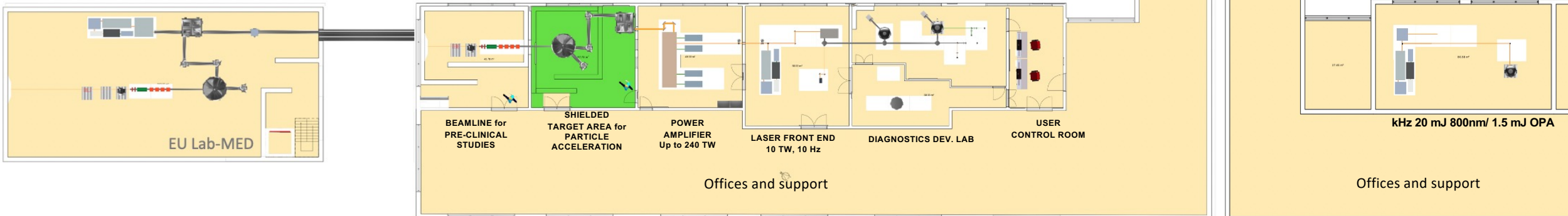


Will provide a platform for coordinated user access to the most advanced labs and facilities

Planned underground Bunker (100 Hz operation)

Operating 240 TW Facility

Laser Dev. Lab (kHz)



UPGRADE OF ILIL FACILITY FOR:

1. Upgrade of existing laser system (240 TW) for enhanced stability and control;
2. New laser systems for high repetition rate operation (100 Hz-1J, 1kHz-20 mJ);
3. New Infrastructure development, including underground bunker for user access to beamlines;

All upgrades funded and in progress – completion expected by mid-2026.



- So far a bottom-up approach was followed, building the case on scientific and technological development;
- Following the success of the PP application and the outcome of significant funding proposals, higher level support is emerging;
 - National (NGE-PNRR) RI are speeding up the establishment of the national cooperation;
 - CNR headquarters have been engaged with positive feedback;
 - Scientific council is being involved;
 - Contact established with ESFRI delegate;
 - Higher level (ministerial) engagement is in progress;
- Engagement of the National (INFN, Universities ...) partners for synergic approach;
- Discussion of EuPRAXIA partners and collaborators ongoing.



Thank you

