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INFN national laboratories







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- 1979 \rightarrow proposal to the Italian Parliament of a project for a large underground laboratory inside the Gran Sasso highway tunnel (under construction at that time).
- 1982 \rightarrow approval by Parliament.
- 1987 \rightarrow construction is completed.
- 1989 \rightarrow 1st experiment, MACRO, begins data taking



LNGS history











Main LNGS characteristics

- Shielded by 1400 m of rock (3800 m.w.e.)
- Muons flux reduction $\sim 10^6$
- Surface: 17 800 m²
- Volume: 180 000 m³
- 3 main experimental Halls (approx. 100 m length, 20 m width, 18 m height)
- Air ventilation: 1 volume / 3 hours
- Easy access directly through the A24 highway
- Long history and experience
- Wide variety of support services for the experimental researches















Science @ LNGS

Neutrino astrophysics

- Solar neutrinos
- Geo-neutrinos
- Supernova neutrinos

Neutrino properties

- Neutrinoless Double Beta Decay
- Relic neutrinos

Dark Matter

• WIMPs direct searches

Nuclear Astrophysics

• Astrophysical nuclear reactions

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Tests on quantum mechanics

- Electron decay
- Violation of Pauli principle

Radiobiology

• Biological effects from low radioactivity environments

Geophysics

- Earthquakes monitoring and study
- Analysis of water resources

Ultra-pure materials

- Low-radioactivity material screening
- Cultural heritage samples analysis
- Additive manifacturing







Presently 22 experiments in data taking or under construction





- Running 0 **Construction/Commissioning** 0
 - Decommissioning 0







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Experiments

















Internationality of LNGS















LNGS Users in 2023

- Italians 354 (~ 600*)
- Foreigners 256 (~700*)
- Total 610 (~1300*)

*members of experimental collaborations







Neutrino physics

Many of the leading experiments in neutrino astrophysics and neutrinoless double beta decay

- BOREXINO
- CUORE
- GERDA
- LVD
- CUPID
- LEGEND













Many of the leading experiments in direct Dark Matter search

- XENONnT
- DAMA
- CRESST
- DarkSide 20k
- COSINUS
- SABRE
- LIME/CYGNO



Dark Matter direct searches













The LNGS are universally recognized as the world's leading laboratory in Astroparticle Physics

- dimensions
- easy of access
- geografic location
- quality of support to the experiments
- The LNGS lab is ~35 years old: needs modernisations in various parts.





• We are working on several upgrades and renovations with the aim of maintaining a high-level support

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- Directorate
- Offices and meeting rooms
- Cafeteria and canteen
- Administration
- Technical Division
- Assembly and test Halls for large equipments
- Mechanical workshop
- Chemistry service
- Computing service
- Cryogenic service
- Electronics workshop

External labs





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Support to the experiments

- Computing
- Design and Mechanical Workshop
- Additive Manufacturing
- Cryogenics and Vacuum
- Chemistry (ICPMS)
- Electronics
- Special Techniques (HPGe)







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Material screening (Special Techniques Service)

STELLA (SubTErranean Low Level Assay)

15 HPGe detectors

- 11 p-type coaxial detectors, all LB or ULB
- 1 ULB well-type detector
- 1 BEGe ULB detector
- 1 multiple p-type crystal ULB detector
- 1 n-type LB detector

Alpha spectrometers

Liquid scintillator counters

Sensitivity (Th/U)

- commercial LB detectors O(mBq/kg)
- commercial ULB detector O(0.5 mBq/kg)
- custom ULB detector $O(10-50 \mu Bq/kg)$





Activities

- material screening for LNGS experiments
- small fundamental physics research projects
- meteorite measurements
- environmental radioactivity
- CELLAR (Collaboration of European Low-level underground LAboRatories)







Material screening (Chemistry Service)



- Clean Room ISO6
- Chemical equipment for treatments and preparation of samples
- Magnetic Sector ICP-MS
- TIMS for isotopic measurements
- New ICP-MS quadrupole
- New Laser Ablation ICP-MS (Agreement between INFN-LNGS and BMBF)



- Chemical labs for Ultra-Trace Analysis equipped with

Sensitivity (Th/U) •few µBq/kg

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NOA (Nuova Officina Assergi)

- Large (450 m²) Clean Room suitable for Radon-free operation
- Equipped for photodetector assembly
- Cryo-probe
- Dicing
- Flip-chip
- Wire bonding —







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High Performance Computing

HPC4DR (High Performance Computing for Disaster Resilience)

A cluster of 400 servers has been recently installed

- multicore processors Intel Xeon E5-2697 v4 (Broadwell)
- Interconnection via a high speed network at 100Gb/s
- high computing power

Goals

- provide computing resources to Universities and Research Institutions of Abruzzo, Marche e Molise, in order to increase, through computational methods and data analysis, the resilience of local systems to natural disasters
- improve the computing power for LNGS experiments

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A new cryogenic setup conceived to perform measurements of detectors and devices at mK temperature

- dry ³He/⁴He dilution refrigerators
- Large experimental space: Ø 50 cm, h 75 cm
- Base temperature < 10 mK
- Low radioactivity & low vibration environment
- Funded by LNGS-FUTURE, BMBF and SQMS

Useful for low-background tests of

- Cryogenic detectors equipped with TES, NTD, ...
- Qubits

The Cryo-Platform facility access procedures will be regulated by a PAC

Cryo-Platform







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- There are evidences that cosmic rays and radioactivity have some impact on the coherence time of superconducting qubits
- Low temperature detectors groups at LNGS have the same expertise (low temperature, low vibration, low noise, ...)
- Can LNGS become a reference center for quantum computer development?
- INFN is the only non-US partner of the SQMS (Superconducting Quantum Materials and Systems Center) project
- Some measurements are already going on in a small dilution fridge at LNGS
- In the future we plan to test large qubit arrays in the Cryo-platform



Quantum computing

- In the last few years there is an increasing interest and numerous R&D addressed at Quantum Computing





