# Communicating with and between funding agencies

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#### 4. Agency Interfacing and Advocacy Subcommittee

Overseen by GWIC Chair

#### **Mission:**

- identify and establish a communication channel with funding agencies who currently or may in the future support ground-based GW detectors;
- communicate as needed to those agencies officially through GWIC on the scientific needs, desires, and constraints from the communities and 3G projects structured in a coherent framework;
- serve as an advocacy group for the communities and 3G projects with the funding agencies.



## Landscape

- Relevant funding agency bodies
  - Individual national agencies (you all know your own and are interacting with them)
  - Relevant agency groupings:

Europe: APPEC - 'Astro-particle Physics European Consortium'

*International:* 

GWAC 'Gravitational Waves Agency Correspondents'

GSO 'Group of Senior Officials'

APIF 'Astro-particle Physics International forum'

#### Who is/are ApPEC? - created in 2012 (following 2001)

Italy

Antonio Masiero (GA Chair) **INFN** Italy

Job de Kleuver (General Secretary) **Netherlands** NWO

Teresa Montaruli (GA Deputy Chair) Switzerland Unige

Catherine De Clerg **FWO** Belgium Laurent Favart **FNRS** Belgium

**IEAP-CTU** Czech Republic Ivan Stekl

Panu Jalas Finland OSI Anne-Isabelle Etienvre CEA France Berrie Giebels **CNRS IN2P3** France Christian Stegmann DESY Germany

Johannes Blümer KIT Germany **Manolis Plionis** NOA Greece Luke Drury DIAS/RIA Ireland Fernando Ferroni INFN

Nikhef The Netherlands Stan Bentvelsen Michiel van den Hout **NWO** The Netherlands

Mario Pimenta LIP Portugal IFIN-HH Romania Nicolae Marius Marginean Victor Matveev JINR Russia Mario Martinez IFAE Spain University of Granada Antonio Bueno Spain VR Sweden Lars Bergström

Switzerland Pascal Fischer **SNSF** 

Tony Medland STFC UK

Laura Baudis (Interim SAC Chair) SAC

## Role of ApPEC

- See talk from Antonio yesterday
  - Consortium focussed on joint actions to support
     Astro-particle physics in Europe
  - Appointments a Scientific Advisory Committee to maintain a Scientific roadmap
  - Can choose to create financial instruments to support strategic areas ('virtual common pot')
  - Can act via influence to support projects

## Who are GWAC (Gravitational Agency Correspondents)?

**Informal** inclusive grouping of agency representatives associated with support of the gravitational waves field; creation stimulated by NSF

EG: invitee list to most recent GWAC/GWIC telecon:

ARC (Stephen Buckman)

In2p3 (Berrie Giebels)

Innovation Canada (Guy Levesque)

DFG (Karin Zach; Stefan Krueckeberg; Wolfgang Muessel)

DAW, NIC (Arun Srivastava; Praveer Asthana)

ESA (Guenther Hasinger; Fabio Favata)

INFN (Antonio Masiero)

Conacyt (Julia Tagüeña Parga)

STFC (Janet Seed, Tony Medland, Jenny Hiscock)

NWO (Job de Kleuver)

NASA (Paul Hertz; Rita Sambruna)

NSF (Denise Caldwell, Mark Coles, Bradley Keister, Saul Gonzalez, Pedro Marronetti, Anne Kinney, Matthew Hawkins)

## Formal GWIC interactions by invitation

- Telecons with presentations to GWAC, (Nov 2016, Jan 2018)
  - (Rowan, Shoemaker, Reitze, Punturo)
- Presentation at APPEC General Assembly, Barcelona (Dec 2017)
  - (Rowan, + Punturo, van den Brand)

GWIC presented the status of community planning along with some recommendations to GWAC/APPEC for support actions



The GWIC 3G subcommittee activities are 'funding limited' – limited largely to working through telecons and e-mail.

- The Australian Research Council (ARC) committed approx. AUD 600K to support participation of Australian scientists in global 3G preparatory activities
- GWIC recommended: GWAC/APPEC should consider and identify support mechanisms for the community in its respective regions to participate in the 3G activities which are essential to feed into the major international roadmapping and landscaping exercises
  - NSF has responded with support for US participation,
  - APPEC response?
- GWIC recommended: GWAC endorse and support a joint Dawn/ET workshop in 2018 to advance coordination of Euro-US community-agency planning
  - DAWN IV expanded with enhanced Euro-US-Australasian attendance
- GWIC recommended: GWAC consider playing a role in collaborating with scientists in the study and definition of possible governance schemes in the 3G detector era
  - GWIC appetite for this continues, very useful discussions at this meeting
  - Aim to iterate with GWAC on draft governance report before finalising (?)



 GWIC: Welcomes the statement by APPEC European APPEC Roadmap "European Astroparticle Physics Strategy 2017-2026" <a href="http://www.appec.org/roadmap()">http://www.appec.org/roadmap()</a>

#### **APPEC** recommendations:

- "With its global partners and in consultation with the Gravitational Wave International Committee (GWIC), APPEC will define timelines for upgrades of existing as well as next-generation ground-based interferometers. APPEC strongly supports further actions strengthening the collaboration between gravitational-wave laboratories.
- It also strongly supports Europe's next-generation ground-based interferometer, the Einstein Telescope (ET) project, in developing the required technology and acquiring ESFRI status.
- In the field of space-based interferometry, APPEC strongly supports the European LISA proposal."

#### GSO ('Group of Senior Officers)

• Established to "informally explore cooperation opportunities in Global Research Infrastructures" see:

https://ec.europa.eu/research/infrastructures/index.cfm?pg=gso

- Not always funders per se, but senior advisors to ministries etc
- Composed of representatives from Australia, Brazil, Canada, China, the European Commission, France, Germany, India, Italy, Japan, Mexico, Russia, South Africa, UK and USA.
- The GSO was set up to:
  - identify Research Infrastructures of global interest
  - analyse how countries evaluate and prioritise the construction of large scale
     Research Infrastructures
  - identify possible new areas of cooperation
  - promote transnational access to Global Research Infrastructures
  - foster "distributed infrastructures"
  - identify measures to ensure that scientific data is appropriately handled, stored and accessed
  - adopt a common understanding for the joint lifecycle management of global research infrastructures

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- 11<sup>th</sup> GSO Meeting May 21-25 2018
- Hosted by United States (NSF & DOE)
- NSF's National High Magnetics Field Lab (Maglab) Florida State University, Included visit to LLO; presentation by Italian rep. with offer to hear more about GW global infrastructure planning
- Possible opportunity to interact further with this group coming up in Nov this year – details TBD



#### Time Scales for GWIC 3G Subcommittee's Work

- Subcommittees will work over the next few months to assemble their reports to have a preliminary report and set of recommendations
- Preliminary report will be broadly circulated for comment and input among the relevant communities.
- Interim report not later than December 2018 delivered to GWIC, thereafter to relevant communities and GWAC (and thus APPEC/GWAC's constituting agencies)
- Parts of this work inform case for ET inclusion on ESFRI Roadmap, science papers for Decadal
- Goal: Final report mid-2019
- Need to consider carefully the path after than in advocacy for the report recommendations

#### **Summary:**

- Set of actions here provide a framework to enhance 3G profile and accelerate interaction between international projects and global agencies
- As a community we need to be well organised to have clear, coherent input to the variety of forseen international roadmapping exercises