

# ***ELT Programme Status***



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# Scope of this presentation

1. ESO, European Southern Observatory
2. Why ESO builds the an Extremely Large Telescope (ELT)
3. The ELT in a nutshell
4. Current status and Procurements



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- Intergovernmental Organisation
  - International Convention (1962), between 5 countries
  - Currently 16 Member States
  - Annual Budget: ~ 200 million €



European Organisation  
for Astronomical  
Research in the  
Southern Hemisphere

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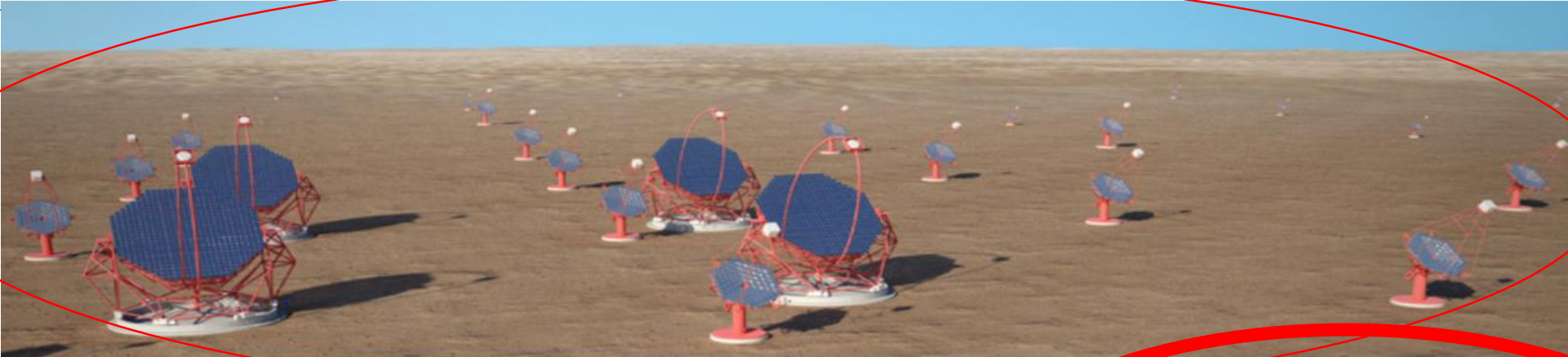


# The ESO Mission

- Mission (Convention):
  - Build and operate world-class ground-based astronomical facilities
  - Foster collaboration in Astronomy
- ESO enables:
  - Scientific discoveries & understanding of the Universe
  - Other: Development of new technologies, impact in economy, international cooperation
- Complementing other ground & space facilities
- In collaboration with Scientists, Institutes and Industry

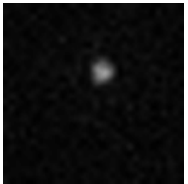


# ESO programme landscape



# Why the ESO Observatories are in Chile?

- Excellent conditions in the Atacama Desert
  - Extremely dry
  - 90% clean sky
  - Low turbulence
  - Very limited light pollution
- Excellent vision to the Southern Hemisphere

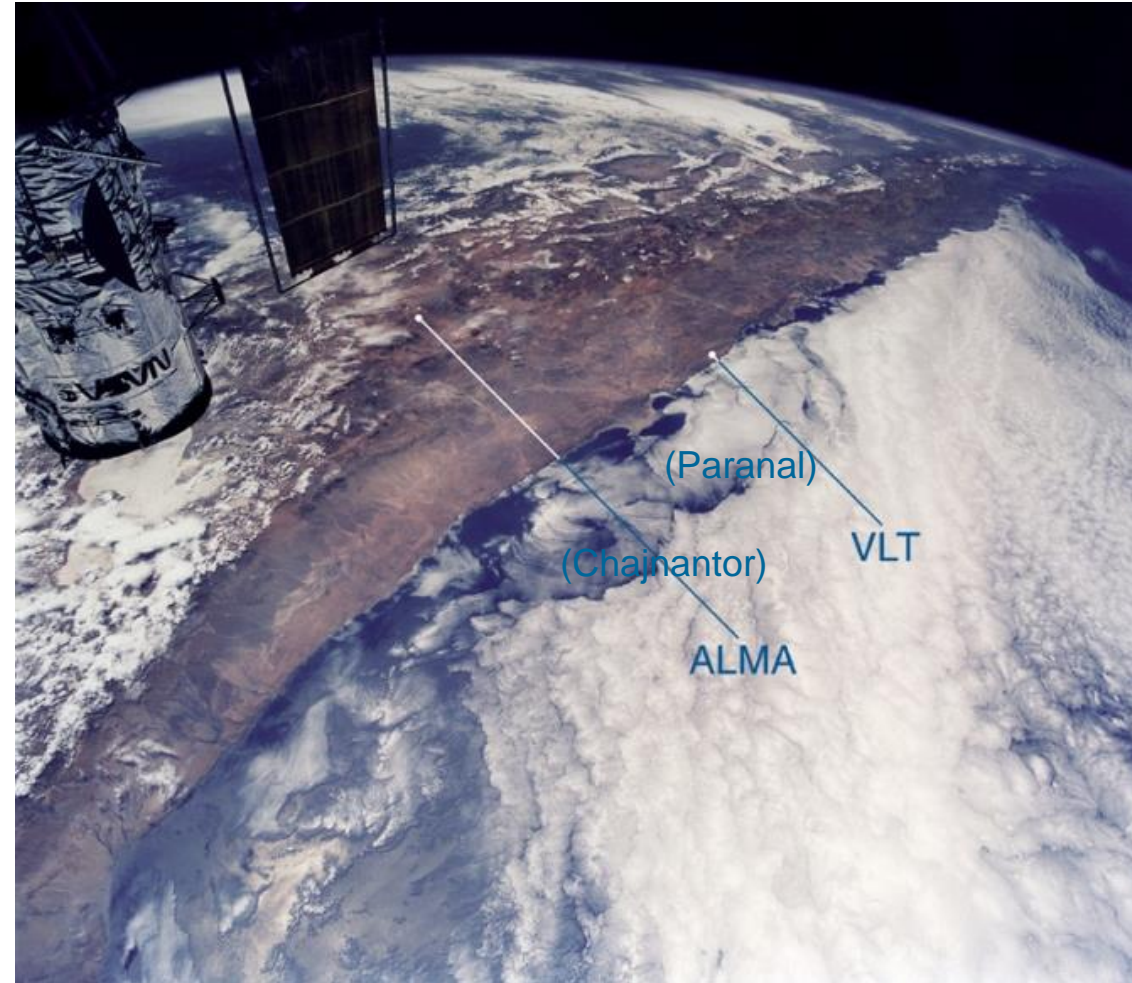


Poor site



Chile

- But: highly seismic and remote





The background of the slide is a high-resolution astronomical image of a galaxy, likely the Andromeda Galaxy, showing its spiral arms and central core. The image is in a false-color representation, with the galaxy's core and spiral arms appearing in shades of blue, white, and yellow, while the surrounding space is dark with some reddish-brown nebulae.

# Why the ELT?



# ELT Discovery Potential

ELT will have unprecedented **collecting power** *and* **angular resolution**

Compared to existing 8m telescopes, 39m telescope with Adaptive Optics:

**5x better angular resolution ( $D$ )**

**500x faster exposure time ( $D^4$ )**



# ELT and existing facilities



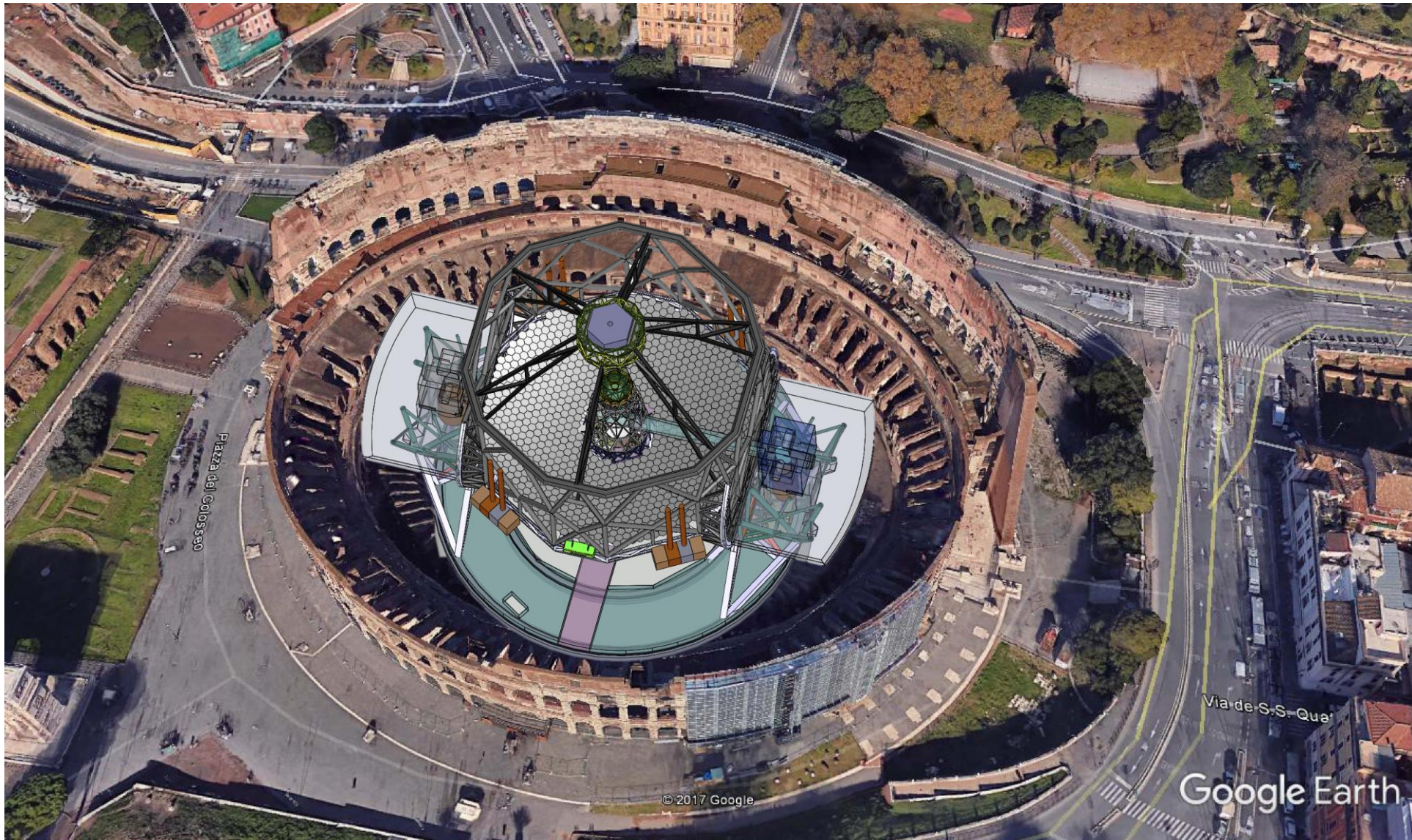


A large, detailed image of a galaxy, likely the Andromeda Galaxy, serves as the background. It shows a bright central core and a complex network of spiral arms with varying shades of blue, white, and brown, indicating different stellar populations and dust content.

# The ELT in a nutshell

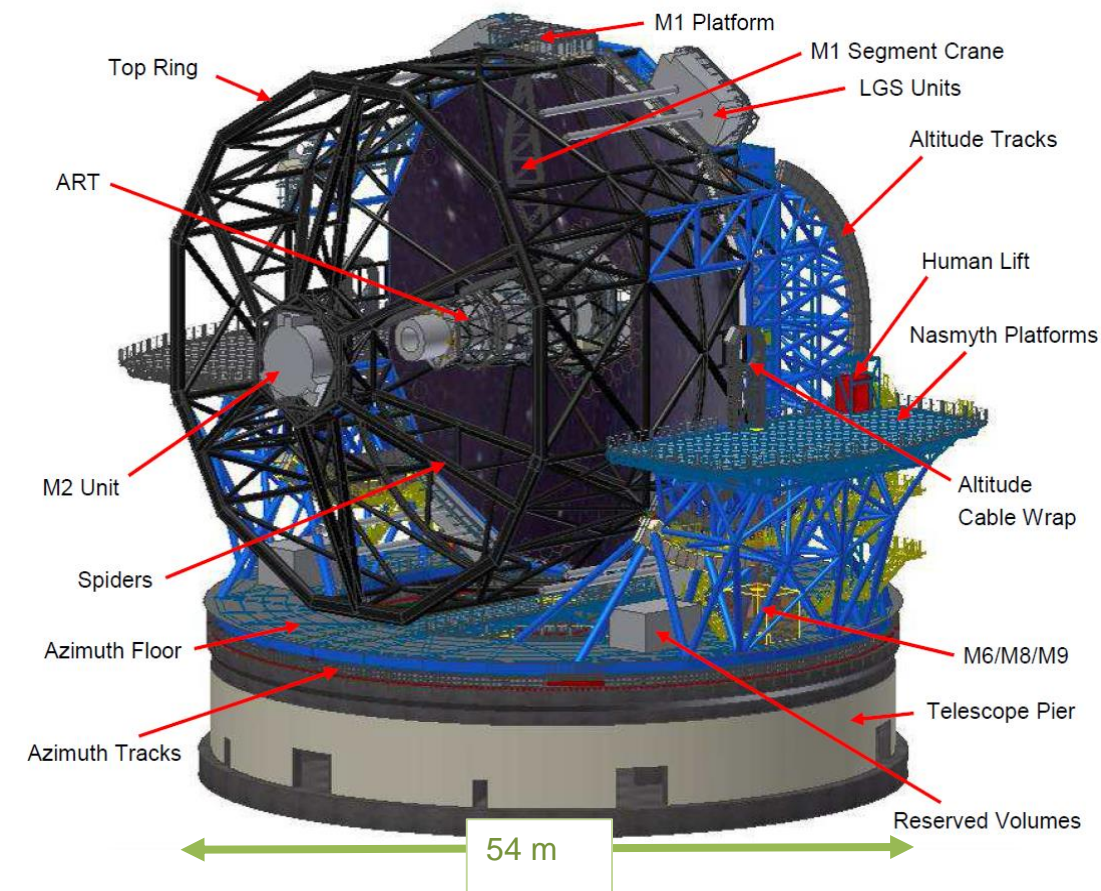
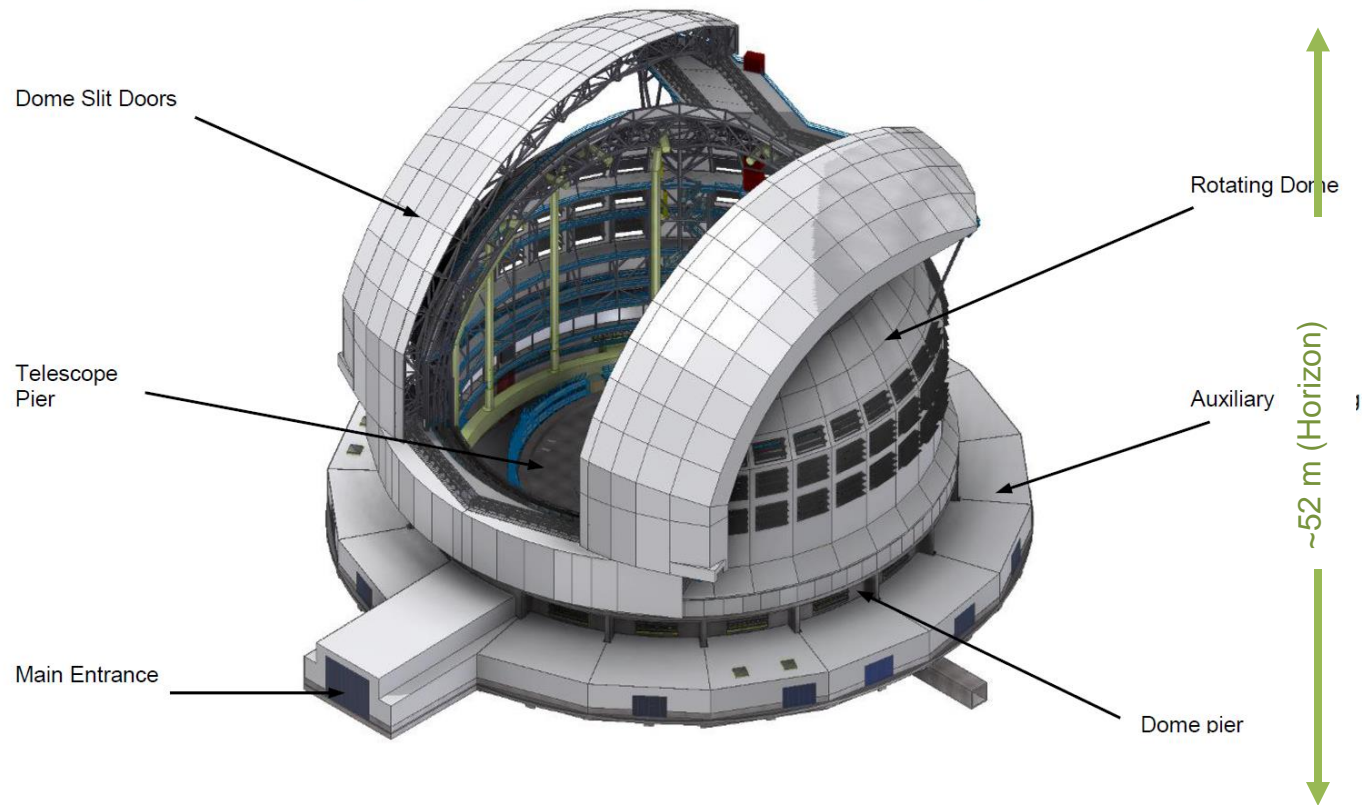


# To put it in perspective...

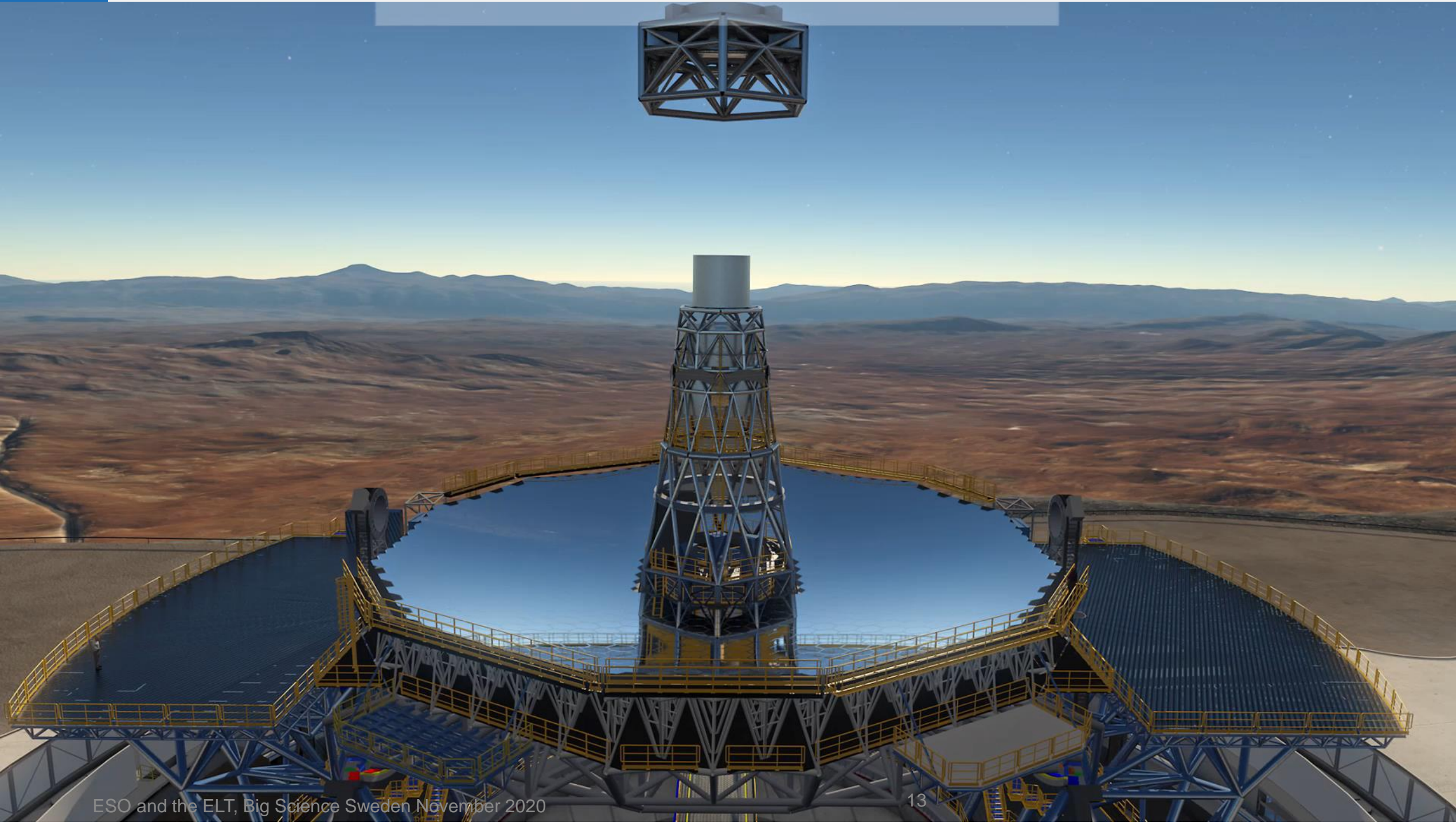




# Dome & Main Structure (DMS)

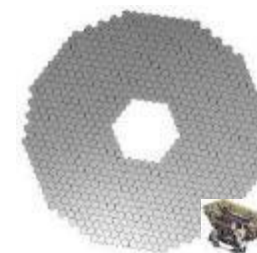
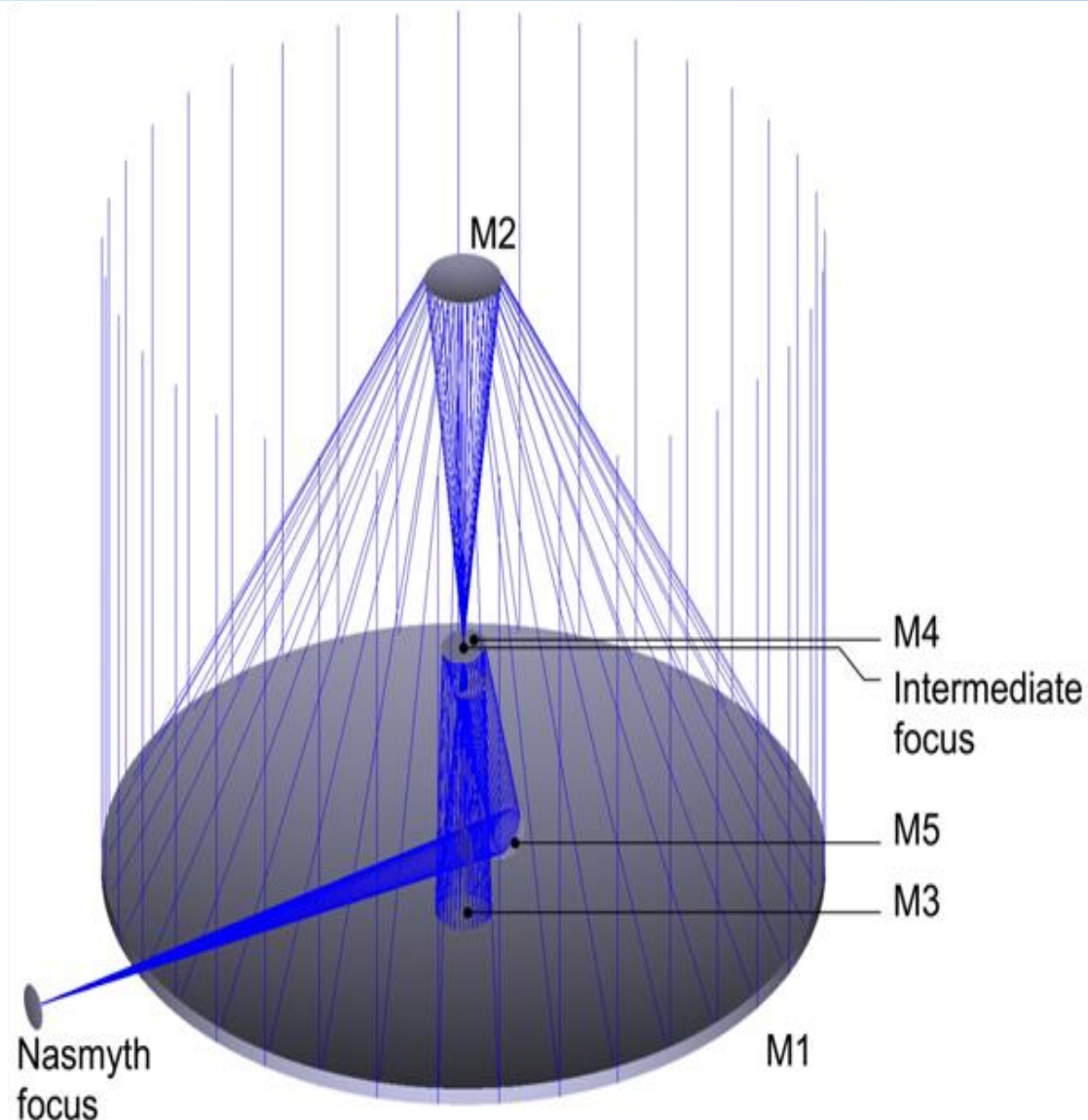








# ELT Optomechanics



## M1 Unit

39-m  
Concave – Aspheric  $f/0.9$   
Segmented (798 Segments)  
Active + Segment shape Control



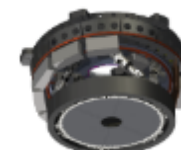
## M2 Unit

4-m  
Convex Aspheric  $f/1.1$   
Passive + Position Control



## M3 Unit

4-m – Concave – Aspheric  $f/2.6$   
Active + Position Control



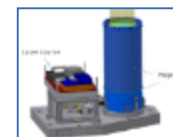
## M4 Unit

2.4-m  
Flat  
Segmented (6 petals)  
Adaptive + Position Control



## M5 Unit

2.7x2.1-m  
Flat  
Passive + Fast Tip/Tilt



## LGSU

(Laser Guide Star Units)  
Laser Sources + Laser Beacons  
shaping and emitting



A deep-field astronomical image showing a vast expanse of space with numerous galaxies, nebulae, and star clusters. The colors range from deep blues and purples to bright yellows and oranges, representing different wavelengths of light captured by the telescope.

# ELT Construction Status





# ELT – On-Going Large Contracts

	Description of Work	Contract Signature	Contractor	Forecast Completion	Status
PJ42.01 Project Office	PA Consultancy Services	Jan-16	ISQ	Dec-21	On-going
	ISVV Consultancy Services	Jan-16	Critical Software	Dec-21	On-going
PJ42.02 DMS	Construction All Risks Insurance	Mar-18	SCOR	Mar-26	On-going
	Consultancy Support	Jun-13	Ramboll	May-21	On-going
	DM&S Design and Construction Contract	May-16	ACe Consortium	May-23	On-going
PJ42.03 Optomechanics	M4 Phase 1 Preliminary Design	May-12	AdOptica	Jan-15	Closed
	M4 Unit Final Design and Manufacturing	Jun-15	AdOptica	Jan-23	On-going
	M1 Segment Supports - Qual. Units	Jan-15	VDL	Jul-17	Warranty
	M1 Segment supports - Qual. Units	Feb-15	CESA	Oct-17	Warranty
	M4 Mirror Shells Supply	Jul-15	Safran Reosc	Nov-23	On-going
	M2 Mirror and Auxiliary Equipment Supply	Jul-16	Safran Reosc	Feb-24	On-going
	M2 Blank Supply	Jan-17	Safran Reosc	Jan-19	Warranty
	M3 Blank Supply	Jan-17	Safran Reosc	Jul-19	Warranty
	M3 Mirror and Auxiliary Equipment Supply	Feb-17	Safran Reosc	Sep-23	On-going
	M2 and M3 Cell Design and Manufacturing	Jan-17	Sener	Jul-22	On-going
	M1 Edge Sensors Design and Manufacturing	Jan-17	AMEC	May-22	On-going
	M1 Mirrors Polishing	May-17	Safran Reosc	Jun-23	On-going
	M1 Blanks Supply	May-17	Schott	Sep-22	On-going
	M1 Polishing Actuators	Jun-17	PI	Sep-22	On-going
	M1 Segment supports – Production	Apr-18	VDL	May-22	On-going
	M5 Blank Supply + Polishing	Mar-19	Safran Reosc	Sep-24	On-going
	M5 Cell Design and Manufacturing	Nov-19	Sener	Feb-24	On-going
PJ42.04 Control	Core Integration Infrastructure	Jul-17	Cosylab AB	Jun-20	On-going
PJ42.05 Civil Infrastructure	Road and Platform	Dec-13	ICAFAL	Feb-17	Closed
PJ42.06 Support Infrastructure	Paranal ELT Technical Facility Design and Construction	Mar-18	Abengoa	Jul-19	Warranty
	Supply, and installation of ABC Power Substations (23kV + 0.4 kV)	Oct-16	SIEMENS	Jul-18	Warranty
	M1 Coating Plants Supply	Jun-18	AGC	Nov-21	On-going
	M1 Mirror Washing & Stripping plant Supply	Jan-20	Fagerström Industriekonsult	Jan-24	On-going
PJ42.09 Science Data Ops	Power Conditioning System	Nov-19	SAESA	Nov-49	On-going
	Dataflow Software Components for ELT	Nov-18	Etamax	Nov-22	On-going
PJ18.10 Instrumentation	MICADO Construction	Oct-15	MPE	Mar-25	On-going
	HARMONI Construction	Oct-15	STFC	Apr-26	On-going
	METIS Construction	Oct-15	NOVA	Mar-26	On-going
	MAORY Construction	Feb-16	INAF	Aug-25	On-going
	IR Detectors for HARMONI, MICADO, METIS	Jul-18	Teledyne UK	Jan-23	On-going
	C-RED Cameras for MAORY	Jul-18	FLI	Sep-20	On-going
	CCD-220 Detectors for MAORY, MICADO, HARMONI, PFS-A, PDS	May-19	Teledyne UK	May-21	On-going
	MUSE type detectors	Sep-19	Teledyne UK	Jun-21	On-going
	PFS-A Main system Design and Manufacture	Apr-18	IDOM	Feb-24	On-going
	Laser Sources	Dec-17	Toptica	Dec-22	On-going

32 running contracts including the 4 Instr. agreements  
6 contracts closed or in warranty period

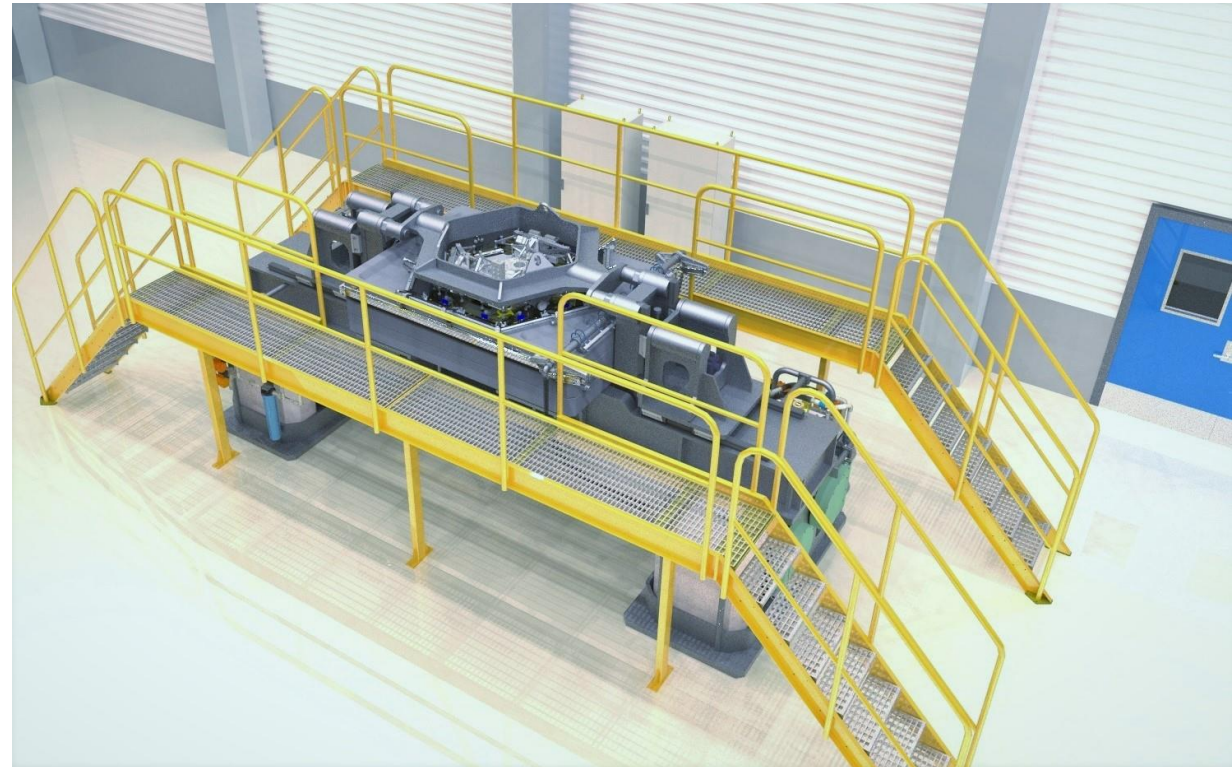






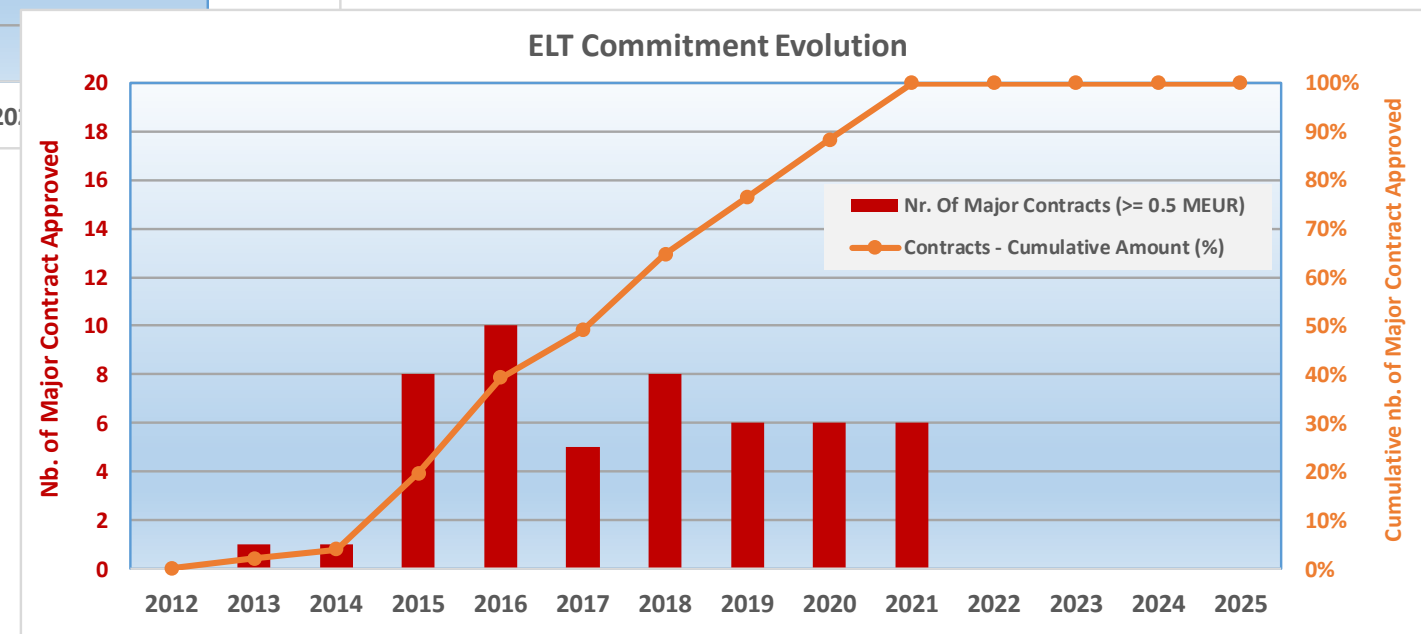
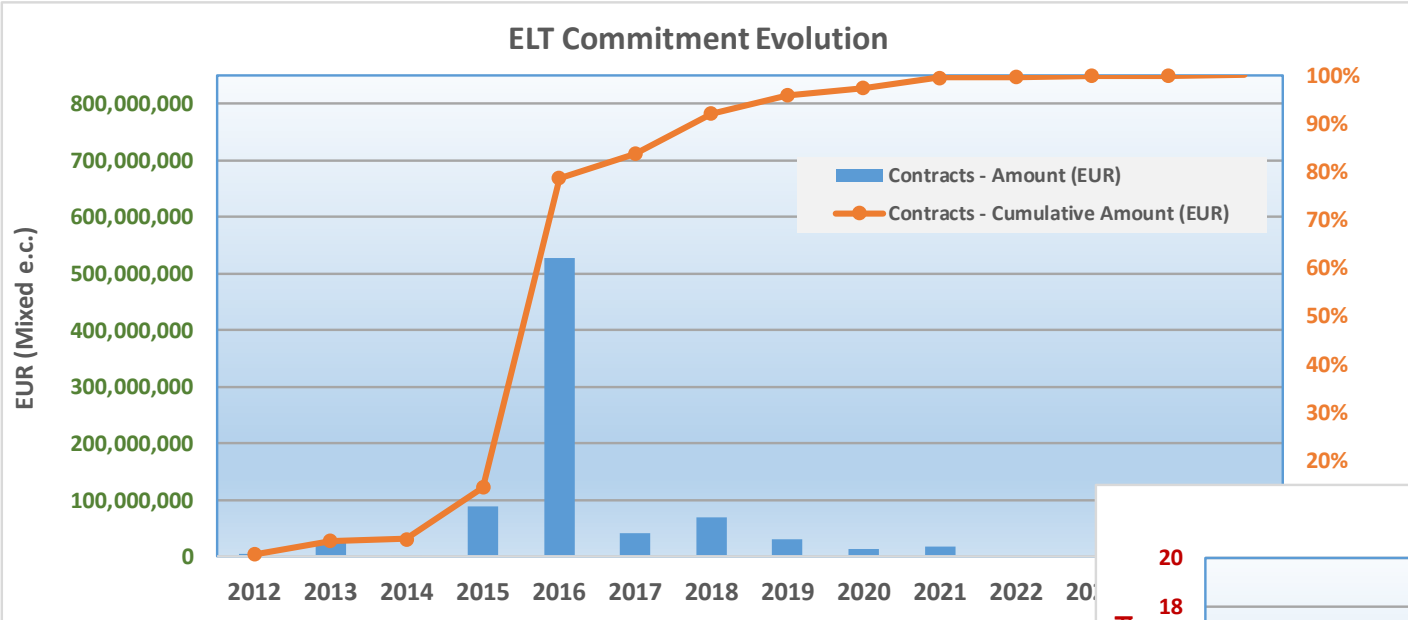
# M1 Washing and Stripping Plant

The contract was awarded after a competitive process, because of the innovative concept





# ELT Programme – Commitment Evolution



## Timeline 2014-2026

### ESO cost:

- Capital cost: ~1200 MEUR incl. manpower, instruments and contingency
- Operation cost: ~50 MEUR / year



# Cameras for LVSM and CCD220

## ■ Scope:

- Manufacture, Verification and Delivery of different types of Wavefront Sensing Cameras for Adaptive Optics applications at the ELT
- The cameras consist of the detector (ESO furnished) and its mount, read-out Front-End board, Main Control board, Power Regulator board, Peltier Controller/Cryostat, main structure and cooling system

## ■ Expected Contract Duration: ~ 2 years

## ■ Timeline (TBC):

PHASE	TIME
Request For Information	Q4 2018
Release Preliminary Inquiry	Q2 2021
Release Call for Tender	Q1 2022
FC Approval	May 2022



# Coarse Metrology and Alignment System

## ■ Scope:

- Procurement of standard tools and design, fabrication of high-accuracy long-range metrology network to monitor relative positions of telescope mirrors [long-range (tens of m) non-contact, micron-accuracy optical sensing in industrial environment]

## ■ Expected Contract Duration:

- ~ 3 years

## ■ Timeline (TBC):

PHASE	TIME
Start procurement process	Q1 2021
Closing date	Q2 2021
FC Approval	Q3 2021







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THANKS!

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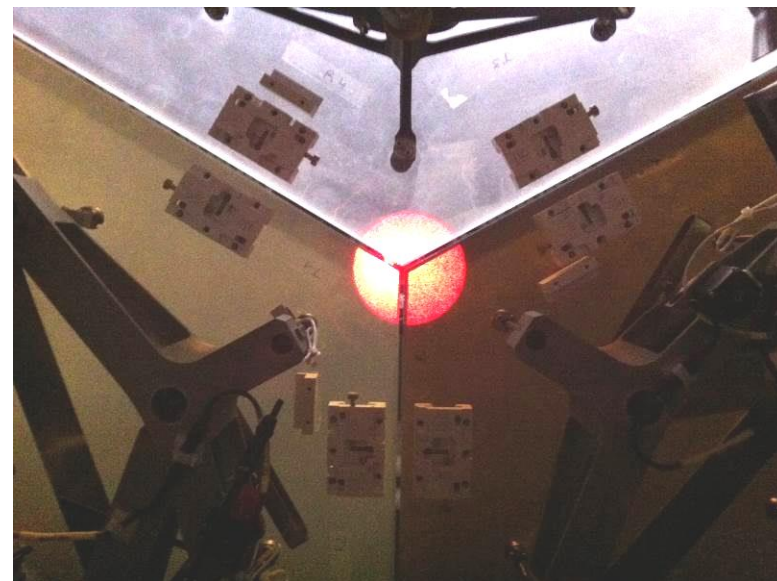


# Supporting Slides

# M1 Segment Assembly - Local Coherencer (LOCO)

## ■ Specialties for potential (sub)contractors:

- mechatronics,
- automation engineering,
- non-contact nanometer-accuracy
- optical sensing in industrial environment



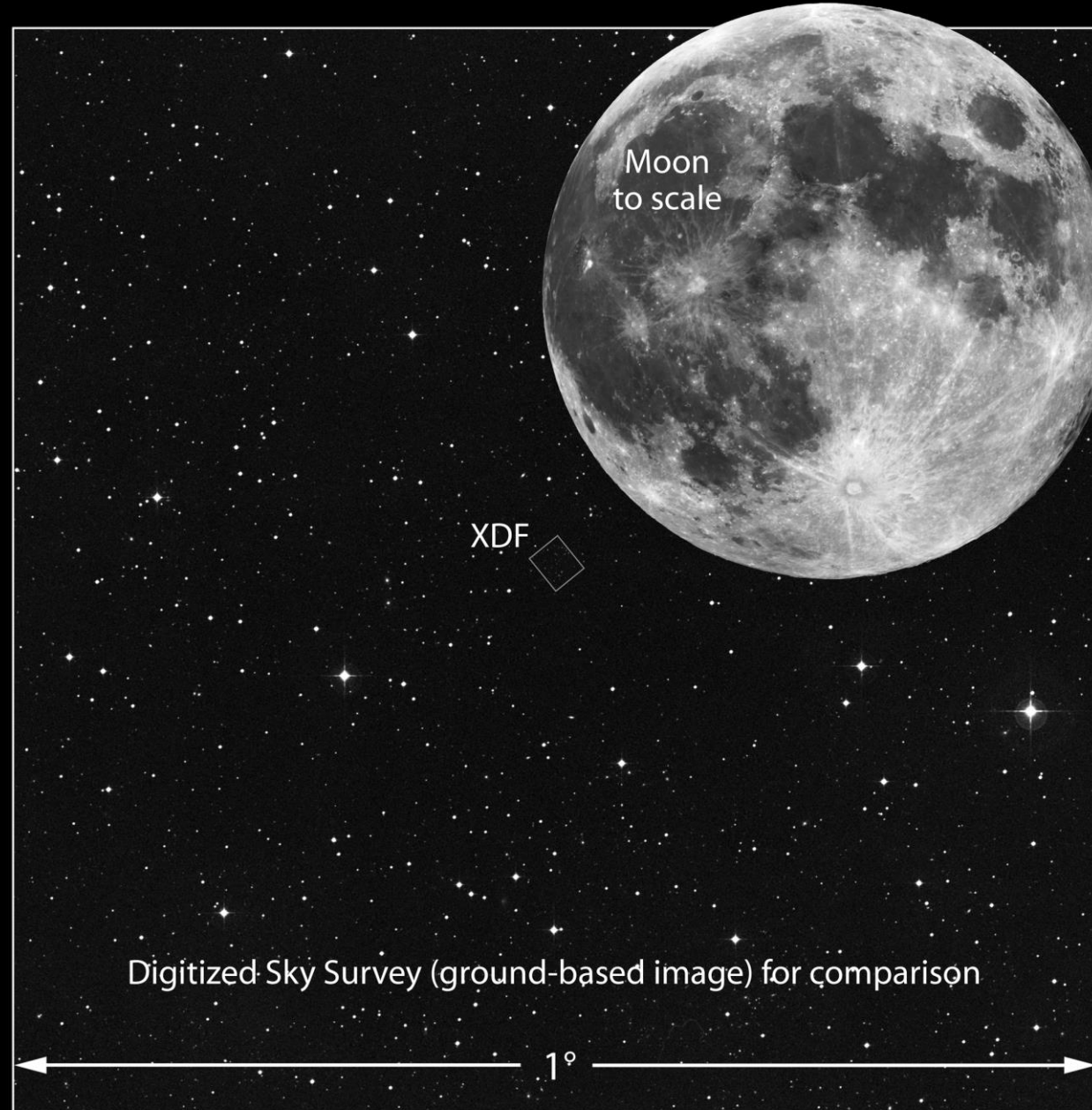


# The Author

***Fabio Biancat Marchet*** was born in Venice, Italy. With a background in Automation and Control, he started his career in the off-shore industry designing submarine robots, and in 1994 joined ESO to work on the Very Large Telescope project. At the conclusion of the VLT construction he moved to the ALMA project, where he eventually covered the role of deputy European Project Manager. After having been the head of the Project Management Department, Fabio has been appointed as Programme Engineer for the European Extremely Large Telescope in 2017.

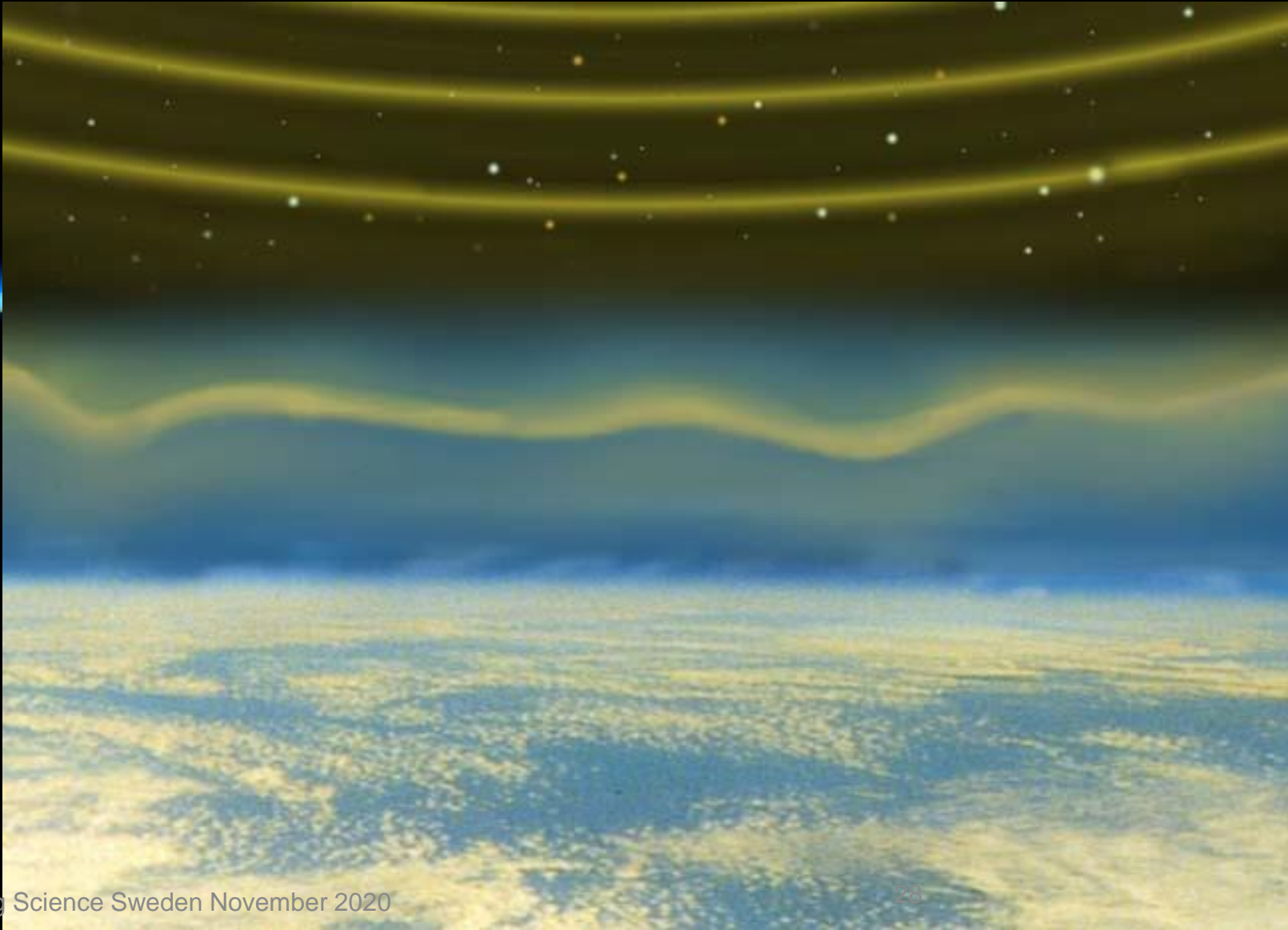


# Size of Hubble eXtreme Deep Field on the Sky





# The challenge: atmosphere



# Without Adaptive Optic





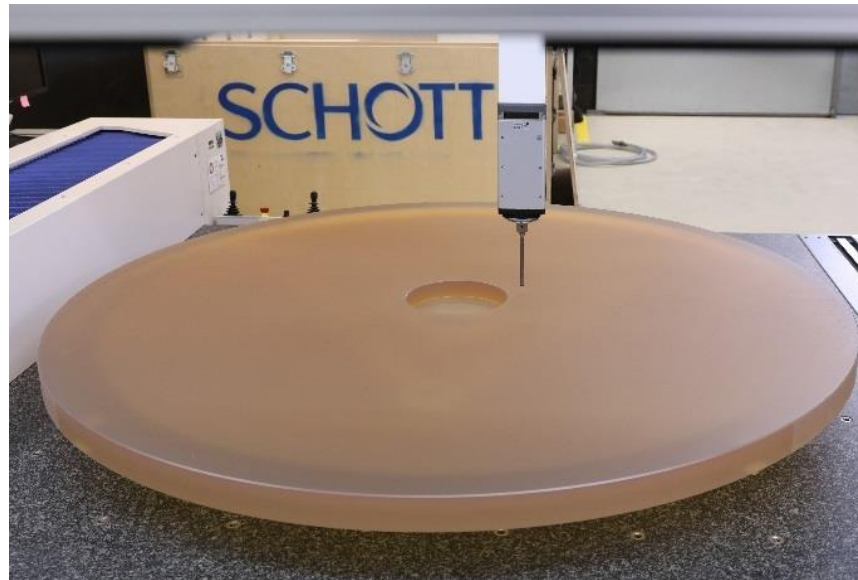


# With Adaptive Optic



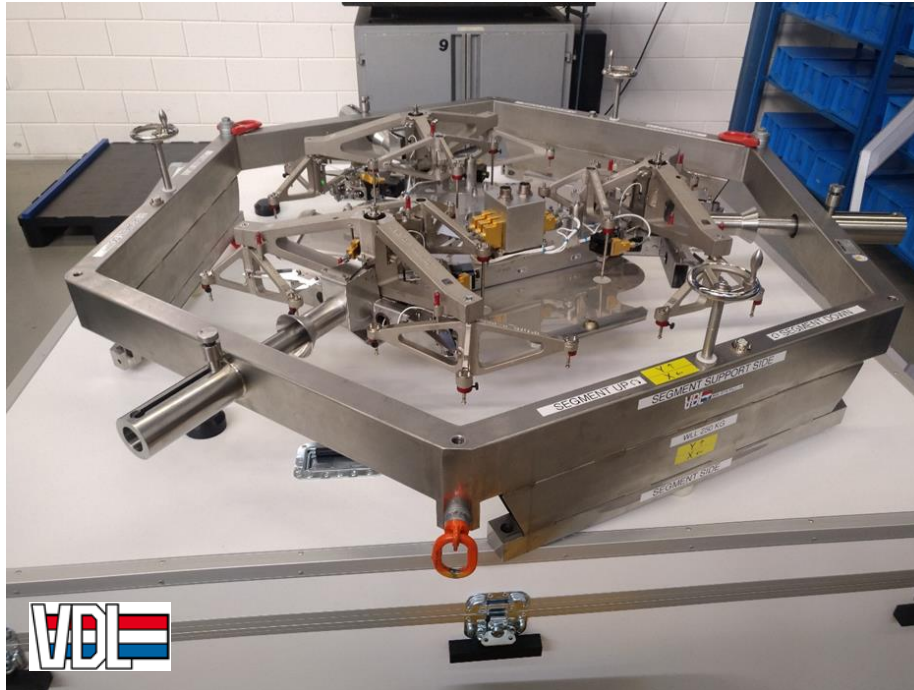


# M1 Segment Blanks



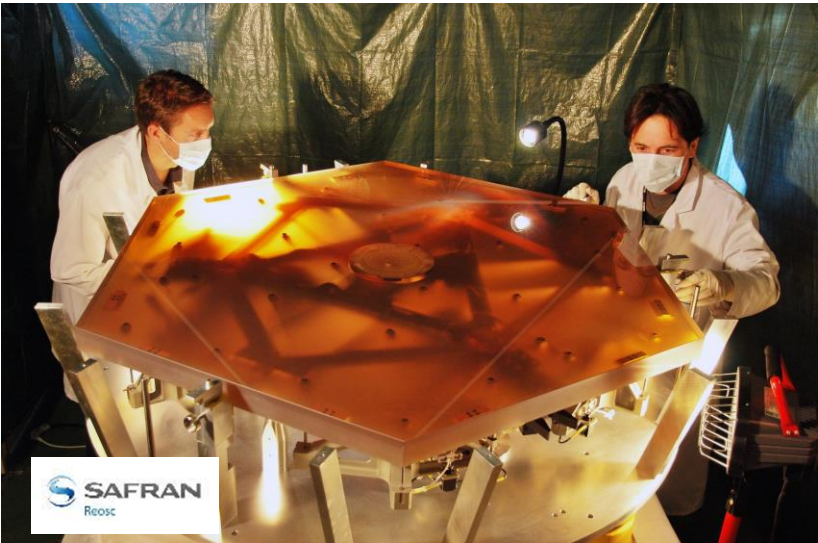


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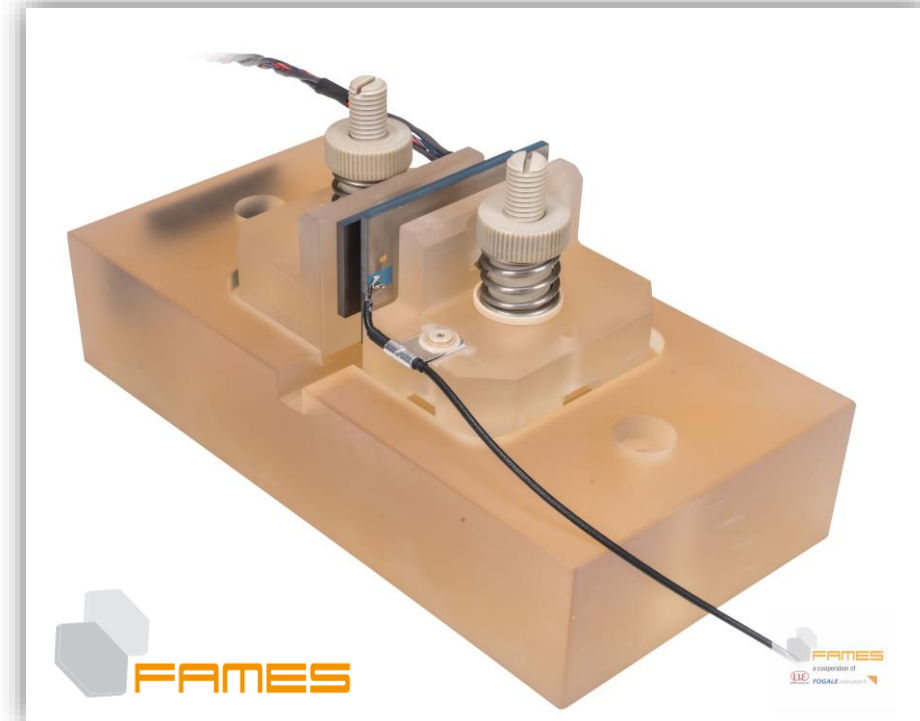
# M1 Segment Polishing

## Status – Facilities and Production Equipment





# M1 PACT and Edge Sensors



# M2 blank from SCHOTT to ESO to SAFRAN-Reosc

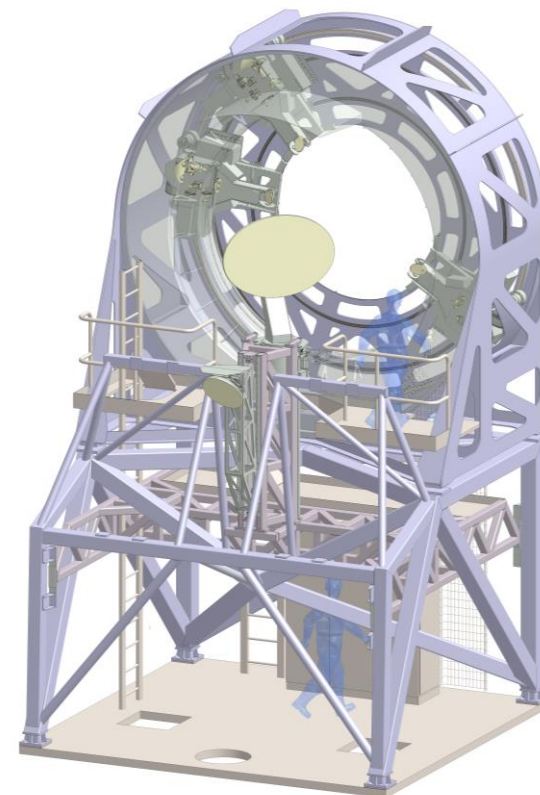
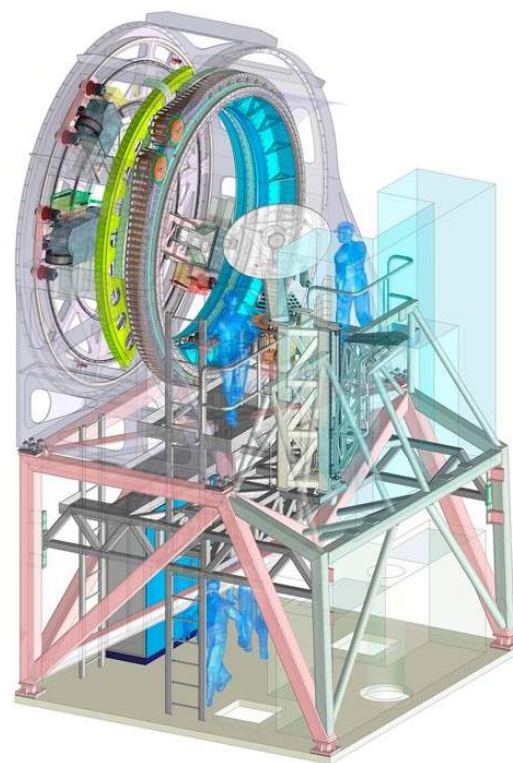
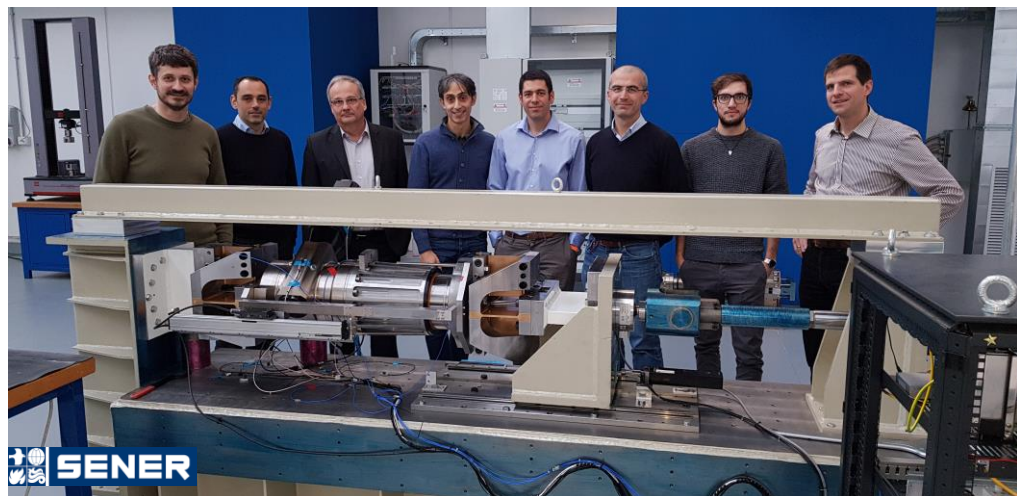




# M2 Mirror Polishing





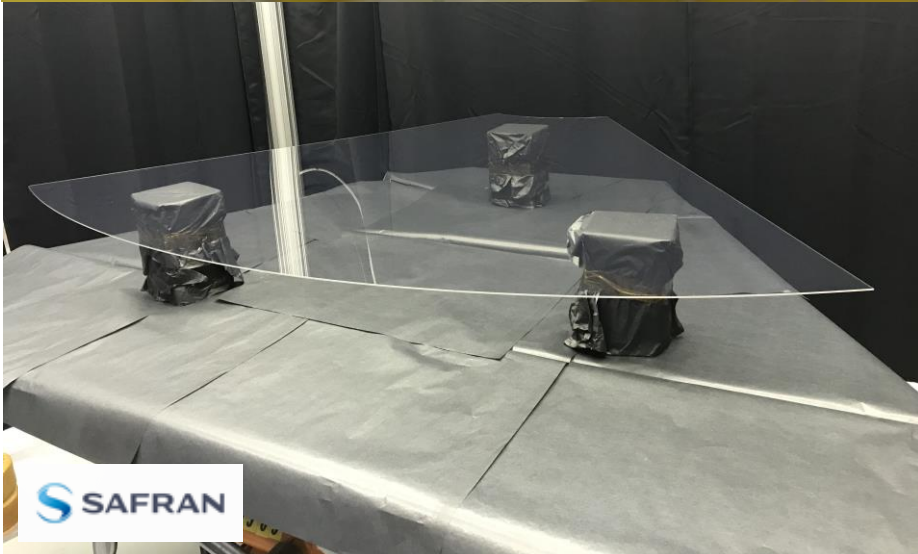
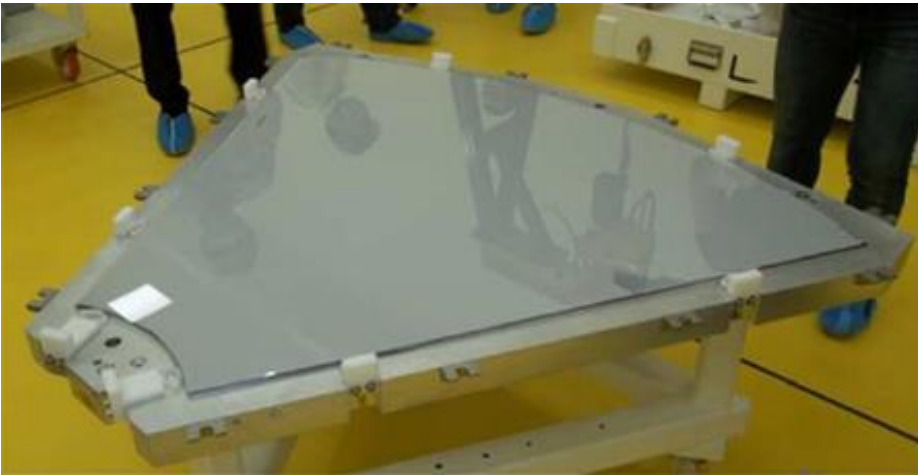


**IDOM**



# M4 Shells

## Status





# M4 Unit

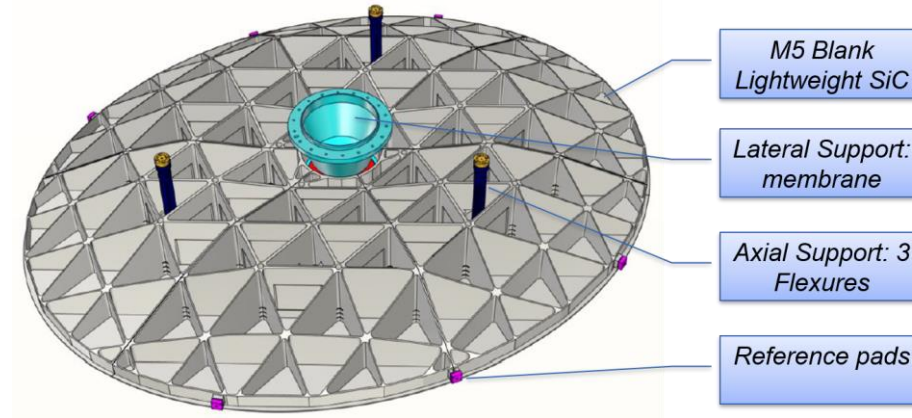
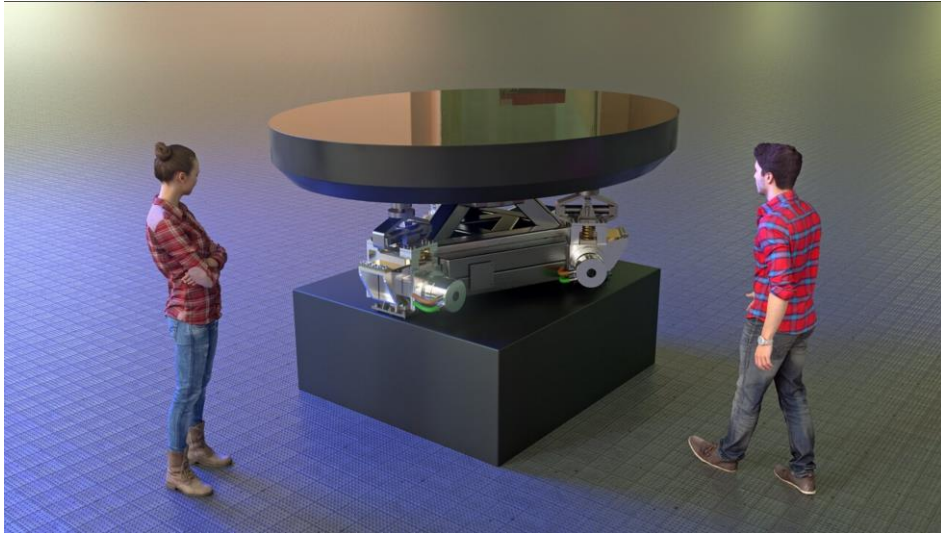


*The ELT M4 Actuator Bricks production and testing*





# M5 Unit



Scale 1 Prototype Unit

# M1 Segment Assembly - Local Coherencer (LOCO)

## ■ Scope:

- Design, manufacturing and testing of a prototype optical sensing tool to perform local segment coherencing/alignment and offer for a fixed price offer for production of 6 units

## ■ Expected Contract Duration:

- ~ 1 + 1 years
  - 1 year for prototyping, (6 months ESO testing),  
1 year for production of 6 units

## ■ Timeline:

➤ Release Call for Tender	Q4 2020 (tbc)
➤ Closing date	TBD
➤ FC Approval	Q2 2021

