

**Westerbork VLBI station report for the EVN T0G
Meeting, Torun, Dec 13, 2023**

Overview:

Westerbork is contributing to VLBI projects with a single dish, equipped with a modified Multi-Frequency Front-End (MFFE) providing circular polarization and a DBBC backend. Two radio telescopes are available for VLBI operations, one equipped with the MFFE receiver, and the other with the 5cm receiver, currently sharing the DBBC/FlexBuff backend.

DBBC:

Our DBBC (used operationally since Session 2015-3), has four Core2 boards and eight BBC's and an internal Fila10G card and its running on Windows 7 and firmware version 1.07.

The WSRT DBBC is capable of delivering 2Gbps setups to a FlexBuff (though the relatively narrow MFFE IF, limits the data rate to >~1Gbps).

FlexBuff:

The WSRT's local FlexBuff disk space is expanded, it now has 6 x 16TB disks and 20 x 8TB disks bringing the usable disk space to 238TB.

Fieldsystem:

Fieldsystem version 9.13.2.

Session Participation:

Westerbork participated in the X, C, M and L-band experiments of sessions 2023-1, 2023-2 and 2023-3

Operational issues during recent sessions:

EVN 2023-1

One observation setup we received from Jive had an L0 setting we never used before. Added the L0 setting to the RXG files. The receiver could do it an the antab file looks ok. Next time it will not be a problem.

EVN 2023-2

The flexbuff had a broken disk, this disk is replaced no data was lost.

EVN 2023-3

No issues during this session.

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