

## Jumping JIVE Kick off meeting 21 February 2017

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9:00 start

9:05 Introduction – Huib van Langevelde

Introduction of the project as described in the Grant Agreement. All participants agree with the proposed list of board members and representatives.

9:24 WP 1 Management – Huib van Langevelde

Questions and remarks

- René Vermeulen – why specify overall travel money for management? -> Huib van Langevelde: all overall travel money is specifically linked to work packages, 10 % of this will be moved to management.

9:54 WP2 Outreach – Ilse van Bommel

Questions and remarks

- Leonid Gurvits: why use the word advocating, linked to law? -> The consensus is that this is a correct English word
- Steven Tingay: has used CAASTRO to get messages out to the public, very successful.
- Tiziana Venturi: similar efforts in RadioNet to connect with the astronomers community, keep in contact with RadioNet.
- Rene Vermeulen: listen to outside communities on what is needed.

10:14 WP3 New Partnerships – Leonid Gurvits

The board had no further questions.

10:35 WP4 LOFAR – René Vermeulen

Questions and remarks

- Zsolt Paragi: little overlap between EVN and LOFAR community, ideas on how to get these in contact? -> René Vermeulen: there are contacts, not joined conferences, could be interesting to organize this.
- Zsolt Paragi: would it be an option to add SKA dish to LOFAR stations? -> René Vermeulen: it could also be interesting to add SKA to EVN stations
- Steven Tingay: why not merge EVN with JIVE? -> difference between ILT and EVN, EVN has separate telescopes owned by institutes. Huib van Langevelde: This is more concentrated in WP3. Investigate possibility for a legal entity to “own” all EVN telescopes

10:55-11:15 coffee break

#### 11:15 WP5 Integrating New Elements – Pablo de Vicente

##### Questions and remarks

- Zsolt Paragi: risk with the Westerbork Telescope is medium, why? -  
> Pablo de Vincente: new interfaces are needed and have to be installed
- Melvin Hoare: comment on UK situation (Goonhilly), expecting progress in a short while, would gladly invite tiger team for help.
- Steven Tingay: What about EVN connection to FAST radio telescope in China? -> Leonid Gurvits: FAST is under Beijing regiment, but yes, interested to connect to EVN

#### 11:33 WP6 Geodetic Capabilities – Patrick Charlot

The board had no further questions.

#### 11.43 WP7 VLBI Future – Tiziana Venturi

##### Questions and remarks

- Rene Vermeulen: this is an important work package for the EVN
- Zsolt Paragi: is this work package science driven or technology driven? -> Steven Tingay: it also depends on who will be invited to be on the team of selected experts

#### 12:03 WP8 Global VLBI – Arpad Szomoru

##### Questions and remarks

- Huib van Langevelde: all deliverables were moved up because of the earlier start date, please try to prevent moving deliverables from one reporting period to another.
- Patrick Charlot: please add to the "wish list" to include geodesy in the software -> Arpad Szomoru: this is a bit too ambitious, when SCHED is modernized this may be possible in the future.

12:14-13:30 Lunch

#### 13:31 WP9 VLBI in Africa – Rob Beswick

##### Questions and remarks

- Melvin Hoare: note that we are interested to find people who speak Portuguese or French for Madagascar and Mozambique.

#### 13:47 WP10 VLBI SKA – Antonio Chrysostomou

##### Questions and remarks

- Huib van Langevelde: no risks were shown -> Antonio Chrysostomou: one of the risks was to find people doing the job, this seems to work out, bigger worry is if the 2 year position will be enough to do all the work. VLBI provision is being considered as part of the SKA cost control project, along with a lot of other items, but the risk of being removed is small.
- Zsolt Paragi: is it still true that this job can be combined with a support scientist job at e-Merlin? -> Rob Beswick: yes this is still valid

#### 14:05 Summary of Actions + AOB:

- An overview of all actions and decisions was given.

- Organization of next meetings: In 2 months there will be a executive telecom, repeated at an interval of 2 months. Next board meeting by telecom probably at the end of the year, face to face meeting after the completion of the first periodic report. Board meetings can be short, collecting results from the executive meetings.

### ***ACTIONS***

- Action for all: Check at local institutes if timesheet facilities are in place
- Action for all: Request from WP9 for JJ partners to consider identifying staff who may participate in the DARA project (providing science seminars).

### ***DECISIONS***

- Rene Vermeulen is selected as chair, John Conway is selected as vice-chair
- Travel money located at JIVE will be handled through special claim forms, preferably through the institutes.
- Project board approves moving 10% of the total overall travel to the Management work package for travel connected to board meetings.
- All deliverable and milestone submissions will go through the Coordinator.