



Getting Ready for EST

Fact Sheet

Project Information

GREST

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EXCELLENT SCIENCE - Research Infrastructures

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EU contribution

€ 2 977 273,00

Coordinated by

INSTITUTO DE ASTROFISICA DE
CANARIAS



Spain

Objective

The present project is intended to take the European Solar Telescope (EST) to the next level of development by undertaking crucial activities to improve the performance of current state-of-the-art instrumentation. Legal, industrial and socio-economic issues will also be addressed, as key questions for the attainment of EST. The particular developments and strategic tasks proposed here can be summarised in the following specific objectives:

(i) Boosting new generation detectors, with the development of two prototype sensors, one for large-format imaging and a the other for high-precision polarimetry, the evaluation of an existing large format wavefront sensing camera is also

addressed;

- (ii) Development of a capacitance-stabilised Fabry-Perot prototype for a high quality control of the parallelism of the etalon plates;
- (iii) new techniques for 2D solar spectro-polarimetry; with integral field units based on multi-slit image slicers or a microlens-fed spectrograph;
- (iv) development of large format liquid-crystal modulators, required for the large-format sensors that will be needed for the new generation large aperture telescopes ;
- (v) evaluation of the performance of the EST-MCAO deformable mirrors to improve the design and performance of this system; and
- (vi) strategic work to covering industrial, financial and legal issues related the future construction and operation of EST. The following issues will be addressed:

- Elaboration of a census of the European solar physics community
- Analysis of the technological expertise of European companies in the different countries and their potential expertise related with the construction needs of EST
- Revision and update of the construction budget of EST
- Stimulation of a discussion of all these aspects within the consortium EAST

With all these elements in hand, the project will be in the condition to present a definite proposal for detailed design, construction, managing and operation of EST.

Fields of science (EuroSciVoc)

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Programme(s)

[H2020-EU.1.4. - EXCELLENT SCIENCE - Research Infrastructures](#)

MAIN PROGRAMME

[H2020-EU.1.4.1.1. - Developing new world-class research infrastructures](#)

Topic(s)

Call for proposal

[H2020-INFRADEV-2014-2015](#) 

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Sub call

H2020-INFRADEV-1-2014-1

Funding Scheme

[RIA - Research and Innovation action](#)

Coordinator



INSTITUTO DE ASTROFISICA DE CANARIAS

Net EU contribution

€ 705 000,00

Total cost

€ 838 750,00

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Canarias > Canarias > Tenerife

Activity type

Research Organisations

Links

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Participants (12)



ISTITUTO NAZIONALE DI ASTROFISICA

 Italy

Net EU contribution

€ 370 000,00

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VIALE DEL PARCO MELLINI 84

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Centro (IT) > Lazio > Roma

Activity type

Research Organisations

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Total cost

€ 370 000,00



UNIVERSITA DEGLI STUDI DI ROMA TOR VERGATA

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€ 201 500,00

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Total cost

€ 201 500,00



MAX-PLANCK-GESELLSCHAFT ZUR FORDERUNG DER WISSENSCHAFTEN EV

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Total cost

€ 645 000,00



STOCKHOLMS UNIVERSITET

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Net EU contribution

€ 42 500,00

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€ 42 500,00



THE QUEEN'S UNIVERSITY OF BELFAST

 United Kingdom

Net EU contribution

€ 54 306,00

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BT7 1NN Belfast 

Region

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Activity type

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Total cost

€ 82 177,50



UNIVERSITY COLLEGE LONDON

 United Kingdom

Net EU contribution

€ 126 342,00

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GOWER STREET
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London > Inner London — West > Camden and City of London

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Total cost

€ 157 927,50



AGENCIA ESTATAL CONSEJO SUPERIOR DE INVESTIGACIONES CIENTIFICAS

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Net EU contribution

€ 194 062,50

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CALLE SERRANO 117

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Total cost

€ 194 062,50



CONSIGLIO NAZIONALE DELLE RICERCHE

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Net EU contribution

€ 20 000,00

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PIAZZALE ALDO MORO 7

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Total cost

€ 20 000,00



INSTITUTO NACIONAL DE TECNICA AEROSPAECIAL ESTEBAN TERRADAS

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€ 194 062,50



A.D.S. INTERNATIONAL SRL

 Italy

Net EU contribution

€ 285 750,00

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SME 

Yes

Region

Nord-Ovest > Lombardia > Lecco

Activity type

Private for-profit entities (excluding Higher or Secondary Education Establishments)

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Total cost

€ 285 750,00



ARCOPTIX SA

 Switzerland

Net EU contribution

€ 0,00

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FAUBOURG DE LA GARE 5A

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SME 

Yes

Region

Schweiz/Suisse/Svizzera > Espace Mittelland > Neuchâtel

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Private for-profit entities (excluding Higher or Secondary Education Establishments)

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Total cost

€ 152 500,00



ANDOR TECHNOLOGY LIMITED

 United Kingdom

Net EU contribution

€ 280 000,00

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