

# AENEAS All-hands meeting

## INAF Infrastructures towards the SKA RC

*HTC, HPC, Cloud and new INAF perspectives.  
Towards the new INAF DATA-STAR Project*

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# INAF Computing Infrastructure

## OUTLINES

### INAF Tier2-Tier3 Infrastructure

- The CHIPP Project
- The main projects

### INAF @ HPC - Cineca Partnership

- MoU
- Tier0 and Tier1 systems
- Dedicated support
- HPC - Cloud Computing

### INAF Cloud: initial test and and future plans

- Preliminary test on commercial cloud (POCs)
- EGI cloud
- EOSC projects

### INAF and other dedicate infrastructures

- LOFAR Computing Infrastructure
- Gaia data archiving and computing
- SRT (future)
- ... others

**TODAY**

### INAF - DATA-STAR PROJECT

The new INAF Infrastructure for  
Big Data

**FUTURE**  
Big Data era

EUROHPC: *Leonardo*

The future PreExascale System

# INAF - The CHIPP Project Tier2 – Tier3 Infrastructure

The main purpose of INAF CHIPP project is to **provide HTC and HPC resources (for small/medium size programs) to the INAF community** using the already existing infrastructures. **Period 2017-2020.**

## CHIPP Main system INAF Trieste – HOTCAT

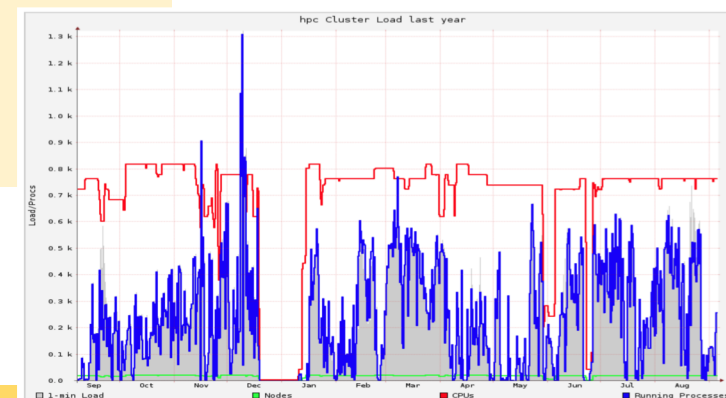
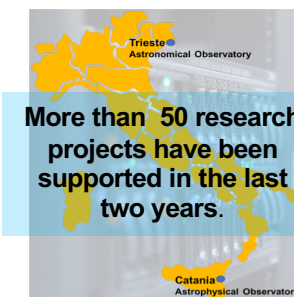
**Computing nodes:** 40 Core INTEL Haswell E5-4627v3 @ 2.60GHz (4 SOCKET); 6GB RAM/Core (256GB RAM)

**Total node number:** 20 (800 computing cores available) Global RAM 5.1 TB.

**Storage:** 250TB , 3 I/O nodes: parallel filesystem based on BeeGFS.

**Network:** Infiniband ConnectX®-3 Pro Dual QSFP+ 54Gbs

**Usability :** 40% CHIPP dedicated



## CHIPP Main system INAF Catania – MUP

**Computing nodes:** 12 Core (24 *Hyper-Threading*) Intel® Xeon® E5-2620; 5.2GB RAM/Core (64GB RAM).

**Total node number:** 16 (192 computing cores available) Global RAM 1 TB

**Storage:** 60 TB parallel filesystem based on BeeGFS to be implemented.

**Network:** 10 Gbit network

**Usability :** CHIPP dedicated

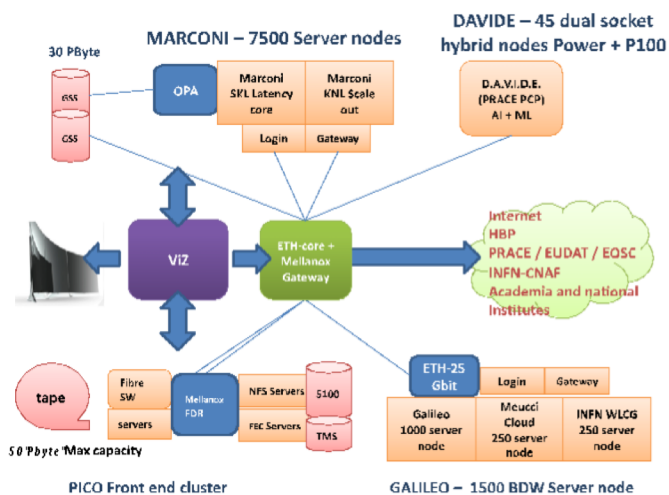
# INAF @ HPC: MoU with CINECA for HPC resources

## MoU/Framework INAF - Cineca.

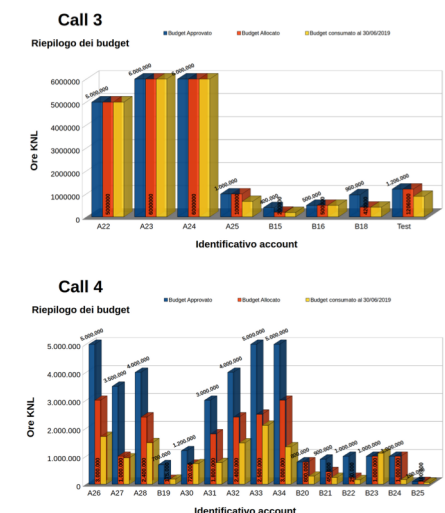
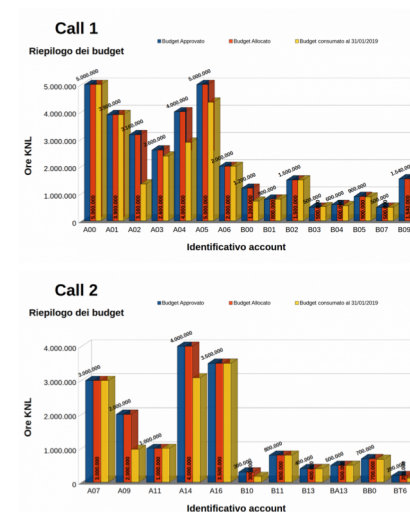
From 2017 to 2020 : reserved to INAF up to **50 Millions cpu/core hours each year computed on Marconi KNL** but usable on all systems of HPC open to the researchers. **150 TB work space**

Dedicated support for all INAF groups that needs to optimize codes.

**5 CALL FOR PROPOSAL SINCE 2017** - Aprox. **50 approved projects (4 calls)**, more than **150 researcher involved** in the projects



- Global peak performance in excess of 25 Pflops
- Global production capacity > 9000 servers/nodes
- Modularity computing combining different microprocessors technology based on the same ISA and different software stack enabling effective production workflows
- Architecture development driven by the scientific challenges and applications domains





# INAF Pilot Projects for Commercial Cloud applications

## Google Cloud: Proof of Concepts (PoCs)

Evaluate how a commercial cloud solution can be an effective solution for different classes of computational tasks

⇒ 6 use cases have been identified with the aim of measuring different metrics on Google Cloud Platform.



➔ HTC execution of embarrassingly parallel code **DIAMONDS** (Corsaro). The code can be used for any application involving Bayesian parameter estimation and/or model selection problems. Platform performed correctly by executing thousand of instances of the code parallelly. Instance duration 10 minutes

➔ **HPC** (Taffoni): Numerical simulations of gravitationally interacting particles of both dark matter and baryonic matter. We deployed a cluster with different machine types (see figure) to run the OpenMPI based code (GADGET). **Poor results in terms of scalability.**

➔ **SKA Test** (Sciacca.) Three different Use Cases tried successfully on the platform : LOFAR prefactor calibration pipeline has deployed using real LOFAR data for 40 frequencies. We used instances with 40 vCPUs and about 256 GB of RAM. **Scalability** of pipeline has been found **very good in function of the number of cores available** on each instance. Software has been ported to the platform using **Singularity Containers**

# INAF @ Cloud. SA-EU and EOSC new challenges

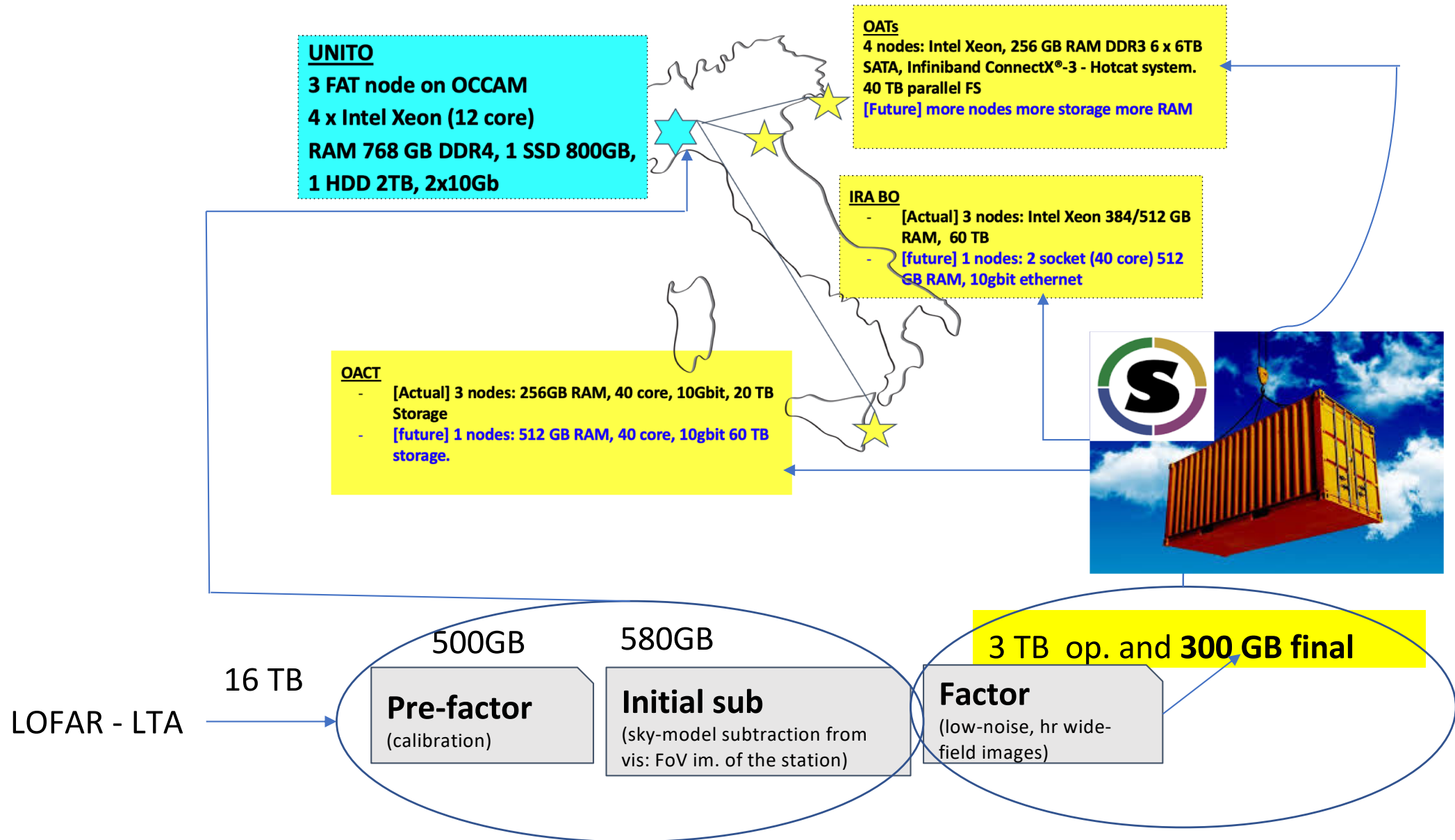
## SA-EU Federated Cloud Pilot Project Meeting EU - IDIA South Africa CATANIA 10-11 September 2019

The purpose of this meeting was to launch the pilot demonstration project of a South African - European federated cloud to support collaboration on SKA Pathfinder data intensive large programs between South African and European research teams.



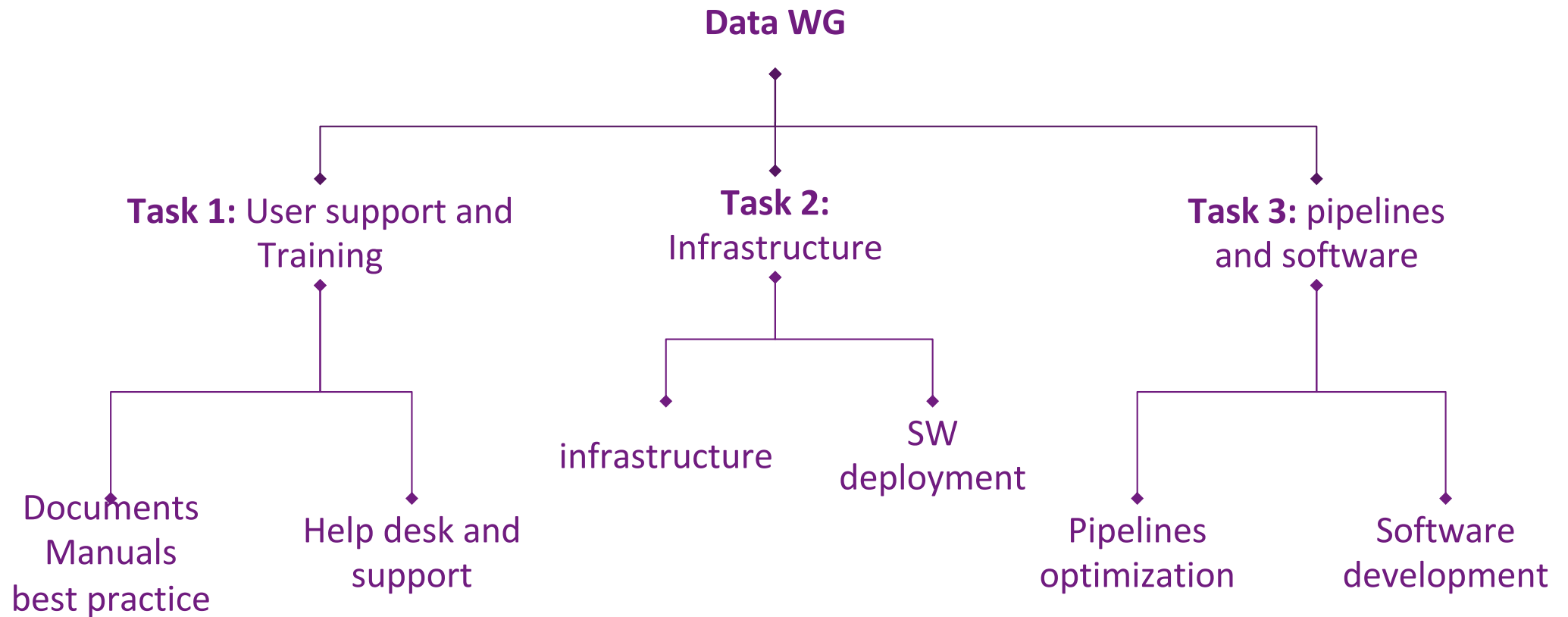
- Cloud architecture → IAAS - OpenSatck (IDIA + EU)
- INAF dedicated infrastructure
- First Prototype Dec 2019
- Scientific WG has been setup for System Requirements
- Execution of Scientific usecase starting from 2020

# LOFAR-IT Consortium. The distributed infrastructure



# LOFAR.IT: Working Group

## New organization

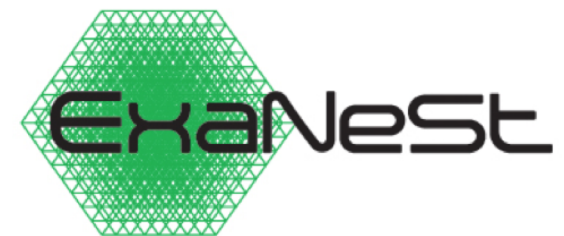


# LOFAR.IT: Data Working Group

- **provide the design** of the hardware and software infrastructure for calibration and **data reduction in Italian LOFAR nodes** and coordination of the infrastructure itself;
- coordinate the **installation, configuration and management** of specific software and pipelines for the reduction of LOFAR data;
- provide **technical support** to users belonging to LOFAR IT through testing, verification, **optimization and development of pipelines** for LOFAR data reduction;
- collaborate with LOFAR developers for further code testing and optimization/parallelization of codes and data reduction pipelines (e.g DDFacet pipeline);

# INAF Exascale projects

INAF is one of the leading institutions participating to the design and prototyping of new **Exascale supercomputers** in Europe.



**ExaNeSt** European funded project (8Meuro) is developing, evaluating, and prototyping the physical platform and architectural solution for a unified Communication and Storage Interconnect, plus the physical rack and environmental structures required to deliver European Exascale Systems.

<http://www.exanest.eu/>



**EuroExa** funded project (20Meuro) is brings a holistic foundation from multiple European HPC projects and partners together with the industrial SME to co-design a ground-breaking platform capable of scaling peak

performance to 400 PFLOP in a peak system power envelope of 30MW; over four times the performance at four times the energy efficiency of today's HPC platforms. Further, it targets a PUE parity rating of 1.0 through use of renewables and immersion-based cooling.



# THE FUTURE INAF INFRASTRUCTURE: DATA STAR

## INAF National Center for Computing and Big-Data in Astrophysics and Space Sciences

More than 2 Million Euros of initial funds are foreseen  
for INAF Technopole Infrastructure... et al



***INAF will create a new HPC and Archive facility center with the core placed at the Technopole and few satellite infrastructures.***

The ***Bologna Technopole*** represents one of the most important convergence of European, Italian and Regional investments in favour of supercomputing and its application. In fact, thanks to funds from Regione Emilia-Romagna, Italian government and intergovernmental Centre ECMWF, it is hosting one of the most significant community in Europe for supercomputing.

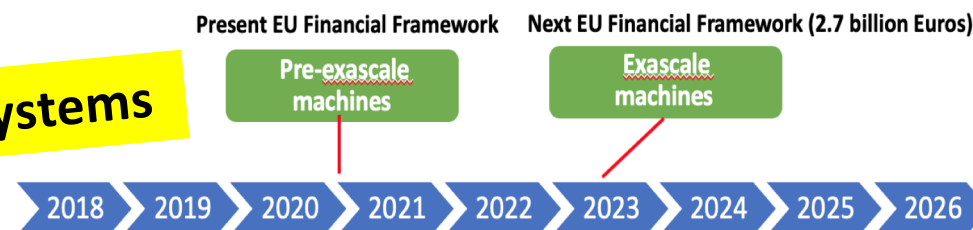
***DATA-STAR will be the INAF National Center for Big Data in Astrophysics and Space Sciences. The main site will be hosted in Bologna Technopole in a reserved area for INAF. The infrastructure from 2021 will start to host Archiving and HPC facilities for the main challenges projects in INAF.***

DATA STAR ***will host the Italian SKA Regional Center*** and ***will include all the already existing facilities*** (computing and archiving) and expertize: IRA – Bologna, OA Trieste, OA Catania, OA Cagliari  
Integration of INAF existing facilities: IA2 and CHIPP

## Leonardo supercomputer: EuroHPC - JU

The EuroHPC Joint Undertaking, was approved by the EC in 2017. The main goal is to allow Europe to lead a pre-exascale HPC facility and the exascale phase. **The JU has a budget of about EUR 1 billion up to 2022 .**

**Recently assigned the first 3 Pre-Exascale Systems**



**In Italy the pre-exascale machine named LEONARDO will be hosted by Cineca at the Bologna Technopole for an overall cost of 240 Million Euros.**

In Spain the JU supports the **MareNostrum 5**, the future BSC's supercomputer.

The Finland supercomputer will be hosted by CSC in Kajaani, Finland and will be managed by LUMI (Large Unified Modern Infrastructure) consortium



## Leonardo supercomputer: a 270 PFlops system

Notation	Description
<b>Booster</b>	Module of the system dedicated to capacity and capability workloads
<b>Data-centric</b>	Module of the system dedicated to high-memory workloads, data visualization and data management
<b>General purpose</b>	Module of the system dedicated to general workload, yet to be adapted to the booster module

**INAF WILL PLAY A PRIMARY ROLE IN THE SYSTEM IMPLEMENTATION**

<b>System name</b>	Leonardo
<b>Modules</b>	3 (booster, general purpose, data centric)
<b>Number of computing nodes (booster)</b>	3500 (4 accelerators per node)
<b>Number of computing nodes (general purpose)</b>	1000 (> 64 physical cores per node)
<b>Number of computing nodes (data centric)</b>	500 (512 GB DDR and >4TB NVM per node)
<b>Storage (scratch and <u>work space</u>)</b>	Capacity: 150 PB, bandwidth: 1 TB/s
<b>Storage (high IOPS tier and home space)</b>	Capacity: 5 PB, bandwidth: 1 TB/s
<b>HPL Targeted Performance (peak)</b>	150-180 <u>PFlops</u> (210-250 <u>PFlops</u> ); Top 3
<b>HPCG Targeted Performance</b>	2.8-3.3 <u>PFlops</u> ; Top 3
<b>Interconnect Bandwidth</b>	≥ 200 Gb/s per node
<b>Interconnect Topology</b>	Dragonfly+ or any topology with better full bisection bandwidth
<b>Estimated Power consumption (after PUE)</b>	8-9 MW (8.8-9.9 MW)

INAF has already planned the main challenges for the new system:

**SKA Precursors** (ASKAP, LOFAR, MEERKAT)

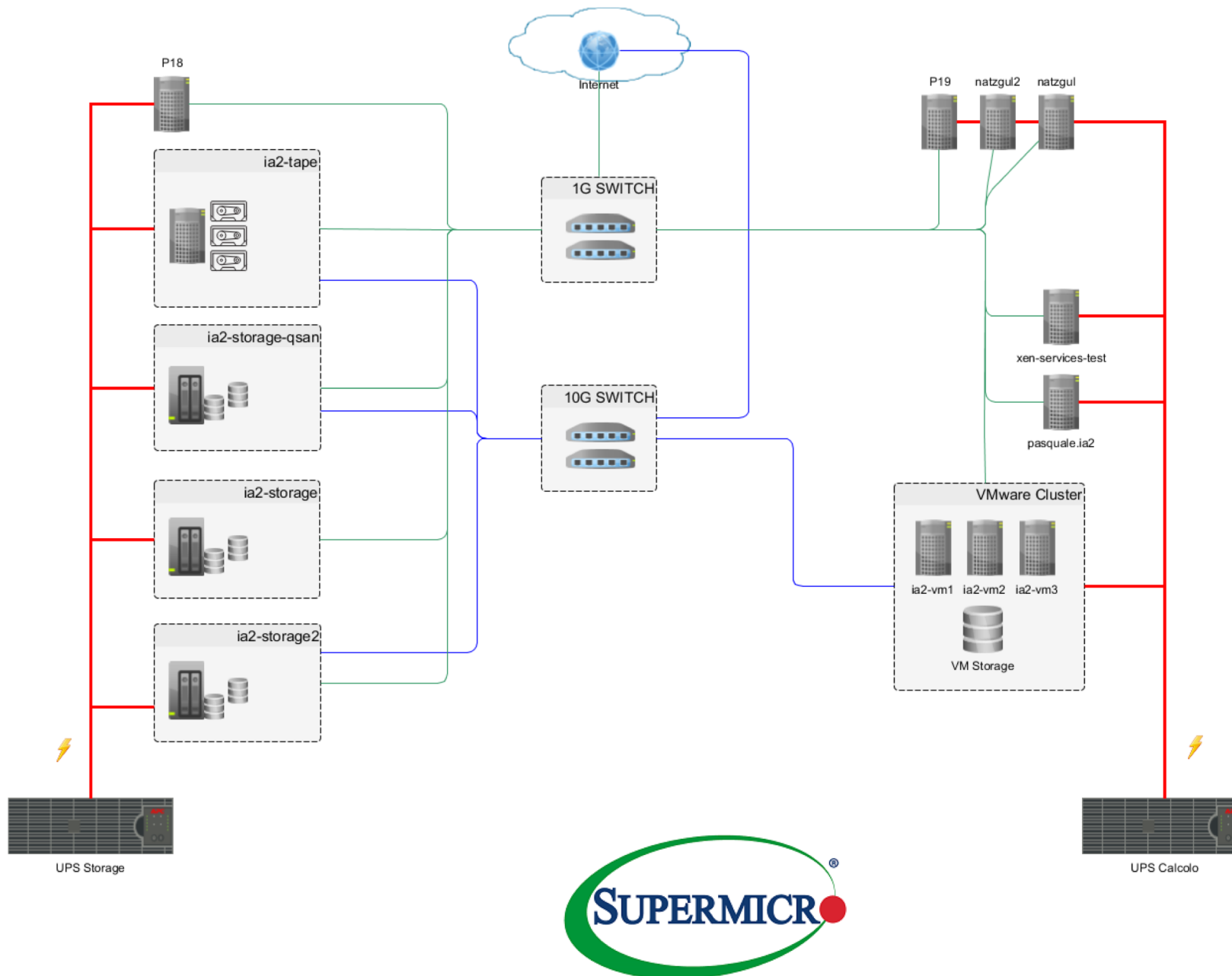
**Ground Based and Spaces Missions Observatories** (SpaceWeather, Euclid, E-ELT)

**Numerical simulations** (Black Holes and Primordial Universe, Primordial Galaxies and Gravitational Waves, Large Scale Structure of the Universe)

# INAF ARCHIVES: the Italian Astronomical Archives (IA2) facility

Trieste Computational center

# Facility Hardware Schema



## Servers @OATs:

- 2 VMWare dedicated  
2x10 core - 512 GB
- 1 Xen Servers Citrix  
(testing)  
2x6 core - 128 GB

## Server @ IRA:

- 1 Xen Servers Citrix  
(testing)  
2x6 core - 128 GB -  
80TB

## Server @ SRT:

- 1 Xen Servers Citrix  
(prod.)  
2x6 core - 128 GB -  
80TB



# IA2 storage capacity

Synology®

QSAN



IBM  
Spectrum  
Archive



IBM  
Spectrum  
Scale

- **Hardware IA2 @ TS:**

- 800 TB (500 used + 300 free TB)
- backup : 100 TB for VMs
- T950 HPE LTO-8 of 1.25 PB expandible to 12.5 PB
- 10Gb/s Fortinet firewall (in collaboration with OATs SSI - coming)

- **Hardware @ other sites:**

- IRA : 60 TB on new machine (raid - testing)
- IRA: 0.5 PB LTO-7 HP Tape Library (coming soon)
- OACagliari SRT : 60 TB for Radio Distributed Archive (raid)

- **Hardware owned by others:**

- IRA : 40 TB Radio Distributed Archive
- SRT : 1 TB (pulsar testing machine)
- Serra La Nave : 500 GB on site
- LBT : 12 TB upgraded 1TB /y Full LBT Archive
- Asiago : 500 GB on site

- **Bandwidth: 10Gb/s GARR**



# IA2 services



IA2 :

- ***manage INAF national and international telescope archives, projects and surveys;***
- ***hosts quite all the ICT software services (INDICO, OwnCloud, RedMine, ..);***
- ***provide support for data providers;***
- develops software for distributing data;
- hosts services for others;
- provide (limited) computing power for data reduction using workflow management system;
- ***publish data in VO compliant way (TAP services);***
- will soon publish VO services for images and spectra;
- ***is involved in several Italian, EU-H2020 and international Projects;***
- ***host the first release of the SKA SCIENCE DATA CHALLENGES;***
- in collaboration with IRA staff, CADC and OATs computing staff provide the VO compliant authentication and authorization system;

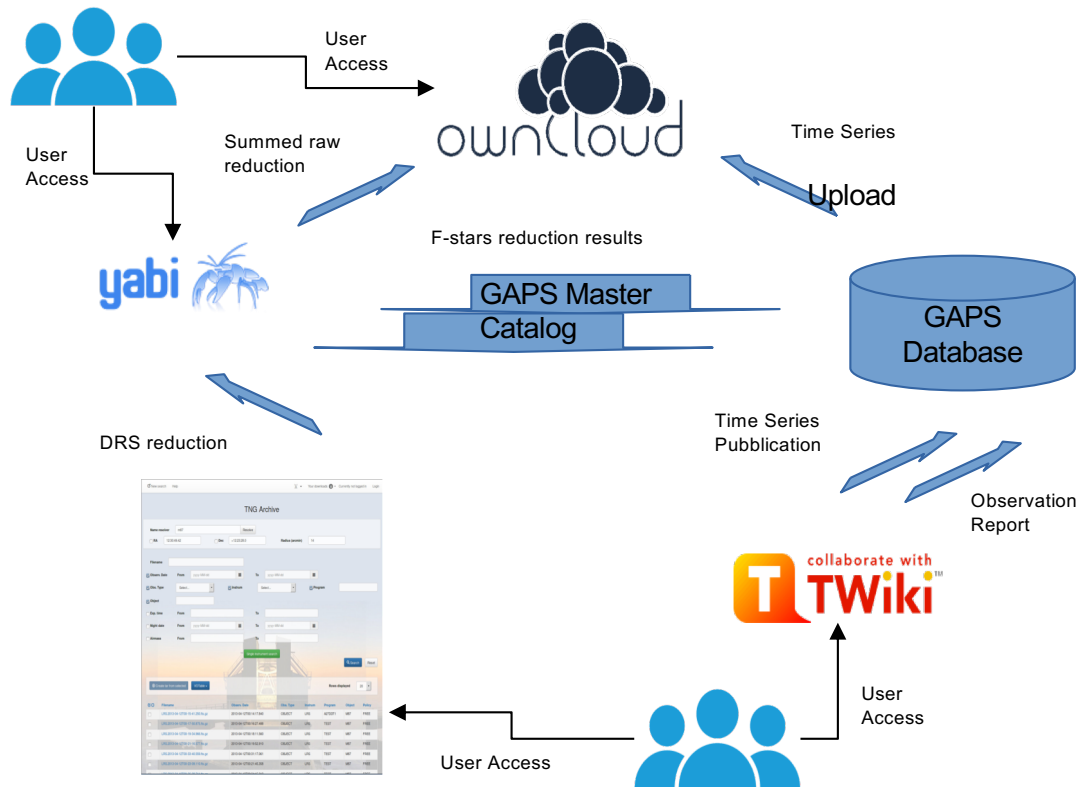


# IA2 support to Science



- **Store and preserve** astronomical data (observed or simulated);
- **Support data providers** in correctly set up Archives:
  - from raw data to calibrated one from Telescopes;
  - simulated data (exoclimates, intrigoss, cosmological)
- **Publish public data** through the VO services;
- **Support Astronomers in data retrieval** via web interfaces:
  - search on public data without login;
  - after login, a list of proprietary datasets are presented and filters can be applied;
  - using filters to find data;
  - single file direct download;
  - user space for bunch of files;
  - possibility to download VOTables of queried data;
  - possibility to download a CSV file of queried data;
  - possibility to download a URL list of files to download them using external tools like WGET;
  - name resolver to find coordinates of objects;
  - connection via SAMP HUB to link VO clients like Aladin or Topcat;

# Computing platforms



- IA2 manages data in a distributed manner on 3 continents!!
- GAPS experience bring important know-how. Pipelines and workflow management systems will be the must of 2020 Era Telescopes;
- IA2 allow state-of-the-art authentication and authorization mechanisms. Same results will be applied in pilot project for SKA and AENEAS.

# Under development: VOSpace for storage and connection with computing facilities



**VOSpace implementation** compatible with CADC implementation, possible share of authorizations (thanks to S. Bertocco, G.Taffoni, S. Gaudet, P. Douler, B. Major experiments within EgiEngage)

## **Two levels of computation:**

1. user approach to interactive pipeline with no HPC/HTC and small data volumes
  - a. RAP + Yabi;
  - b. Containers on IA2 infrastructure;
2. user approach using processing with HPC/HTC needs
  - a. Containers or VMs on Chipp;
  - b. GCloud.

**Processing close to Data  
+ POCs**





# Conclusions

- Target of IA2 Data Center:
  - Support science offering Archival services, computing power and maintenance of both
- Incoming services:
  - User space for private data access and computing;
  - collaborative tools: share data, papers, ideas, everything!!
  - Ticketing systems: for reporting problems, ask for help;
  - connection with computational facilities.

Thanks for your attention!