KAT Strategy Meeting, Zoom, 3+4 Dec 2020

Report from KAT

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The next 20+10 minutes



- A few facts on the KAT
- KAT strategy meeting 2020
- BMBF funding period 2020-2023
- BMBF and LNGS infrastructure
- BMBF-JINR cooperation
- NFDI and ErUM-Data
- KAT Guidelines and elections

The KAT



Elected representatives of astroparticle physics; thematic constituencies:

Constituency	Elected	Deputy
Dark Matter	Manfred Lindner	Federica Petricca
Neutrino properties	Kathrin Valerius	Stefan Schönert
Low-energy v astrophysics	Achim Stahl	Michael Wurm
Cosmic rays	Andreas Haungs (Dep.)	Martin Erdmann
Gamma-ray astronomy	Stefan Funk	Jim Hinton
High-energy v astrophysics	Uli Katz (Chair)	Elisa Resconi
Nuclear astrophysics	Roland Diehl	Camilla Hanson
Gravitational waves	Karsten Danzmann	Harald Lück
Theory	Thomas Schwetz-Mangold	Martin Pohl

Plus ex-officio members of important players/partners/groups (no voting rights)

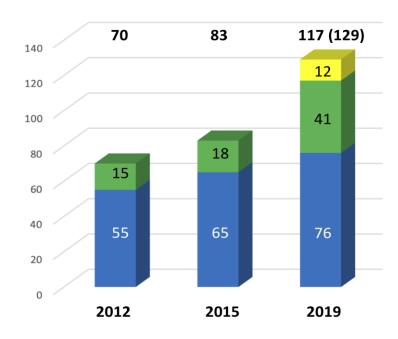
Astroparticle physics in Germany





From the 2019 strategy paper:

Entwicklung der Astroteilchenphysik in Deutschland



- Professorinnen/Professoren und Privatdozentinnen/Privatdozenten
- Nachwuchsgruppen- und Forschungsgruppenleiterinnen/leiter
- Neue Astroteilchenphysikgruppen mit Interesse an Gravitationswellen

This session: Reports etc.



- KAT report (this presentation)
- Greeting and introduction BMBF
 Welcome Eckart Lilienthal and Timo Lebe from BMBF/711!

- APPEC and EPPSU: Christian Stegmann
- yHEP: Michael Schimp

KAT strategy meeting 2020



- New challenge: Meeting via Zoom
 - Reduced duration
 - No informal communication, no dinner, no Lichtenberg-Keller
 - Please participate in discussions!
- Participation: Open to full astroparticle community
- Agenda
 - Today 16:00-17:25: Reports etc.
 - Today 17:40-19:20: Upcoming future projects
 - Tomorrow 13:30-14:30 & 15:30-16:50: Highlight talks
 - Tomorrow 14:30-15:30: Digital agenda, KAT Guidelines and elections

ErUM-Pro 2020-23: Recommendations (slide recycled from Dec 2019)



Projects:

- CTA, IceCube, Pierre Auger (gamma-rays, neutrinos, cosmic rays)
- KATRIN (neutrino mass)
- GERDA \rightarrow LEGEND (0v2 β)
- XENONnT and CRESST-III; preparation of DARWIN

 (direct dark matter searches)
 All included in call

New:

Gravitational waves → Einstein Telescope

Cross-sectional items (cf. presentation):

- Computing & Big Data Science
- Science communication & Outreach
- Networking and coordination structures

Theory:

Work in immediate cooperation with experiments

Note: Data analysis not BMBF-funded in astroparticle physics, but in particle and hadron/nuclear physics

ErUM-Pro 2020-23: Outcome



Projects:

- All received funding ...
- ... including gravitational waves!

Cross-sectional items:

Not funded, applications withdrawn

See also BMBF presentation

PhD salaries

- 2/3 E13 positions applied for
- Too early to judge implementation, but PhD salaries definitely receive enhanced attention.
- Difficult to bring BMBF, DFG, Max-Planck, HGF and university rules and constraints "under one umbrella".

BMBF funding for **LNGS** infrastructure



- BMBF support for LNGS infrastructure in the framework of a bilateral German-Italian cooperation.
- Discussions started 2019, KAT involved end-2019
- Timeline:
 - 12/2019: Discussion at strategy meeting, call for suggestions
 - 02/2020: Discussion of project list in phone meeting
 - 03/2020: Decision on and unanimous endorsement of

project list by KAT, list communicated to BMBF

- 06/2020: Start discussing projects with Italian side
- 7-9/2020: Evaluation of projects by small GER-IT expert teams
- 09/2020: Call for proposals, evaluation by German review panel
- 12/2020: Decisions expected very soon.
- Discussion process fully transparent, complete German astroparticle community included.

BMBF-JINR cooperation



- BMBF in process of upgrading structure of cooperation agreement with JINR/Dubna, Russia
- Meeting of KAT representatives with Dmitry Naumov (JINR),
 24 June 2020: Strong push to include astroparticle physics
- Discussion with PT-DESY at 23 Oct 2020:
 - Main objective: Strengthening cooperation and communication (exchanges, workshops, ...)
 - No invest money
- Application "Enhancing Russian-German research cooperation in the field of Astroparticle Physics" submitted. Objectives:
 - bilateral workshop (expected fall 2021)
 - PhD and postdoc positions in Dubna for German scientists

NFDI and **ErUM-Data**

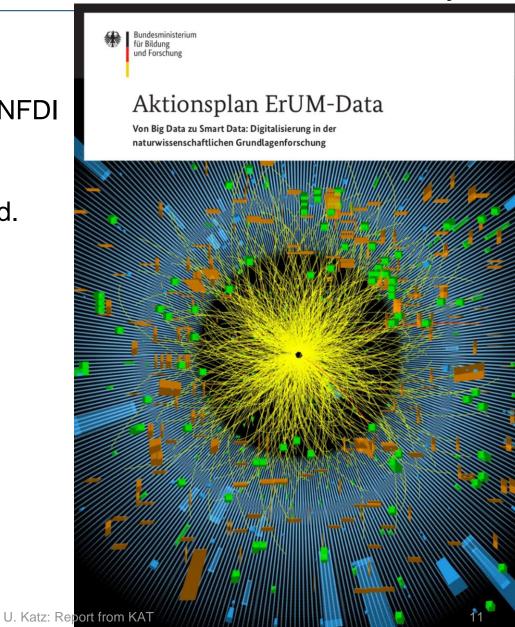


NFDI:

- First-round proposals
 PAHN-PaN and Astro@NFDI rejected.
- Second-round proposal PUNCH4NFDI submitted.
- Evaluation soon.

ErUM-Data:

- Action plan published.
- First call will focus on machine learning and artificial intelligence, expected soon.
- More: See presentation by Andreas Haungs (tomorrow 14:30).



KAT Guidelines and elections



- KAT Guidelines: The "constitution" of KAT
 - Initial version from 2004, updated 2014
 - Amendments require endorsement by the astroparticle community.
 - New version available on Indico page (in German).
 - It will be discussed and submitted to voting tomorrow.

KAT elections

- If amended Guidelines are endorsed, a reduction/extension of the election period by up to 1 year will be possible.
- KAT will make a corresponding proposal to avoid quasi-coincidence of KAT election and preparation of ErUM-Pro strategy process.

- Endorsement by the astroparticle community required.
- More details and voting tomorrow 14:45-15:30.

And finally, a "product advisory"



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