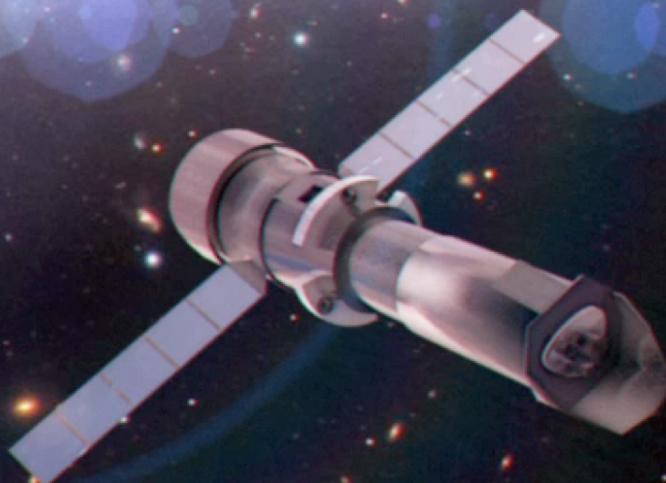


# Athena

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# Athena and the Hot and Energetic Universe

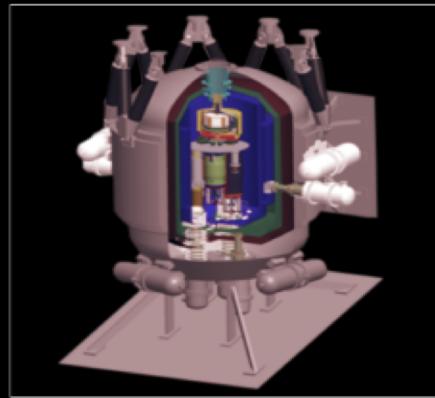
- ✓ ESA Large Mission (L2): Observatory class
- ✓ Hot & Energetic Universe Science theme:
  - ✓ Formation and Evolution of hot gas cosmological structures
  - ✓ Growth of black holes over cosmic time and their influence on galaxies
  - ✓ Transient phenomena, GRBs as probes of the early Universe and Multimessenger Astronomy
- ✓ Observatory Science

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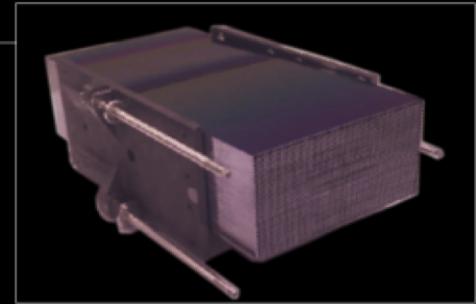
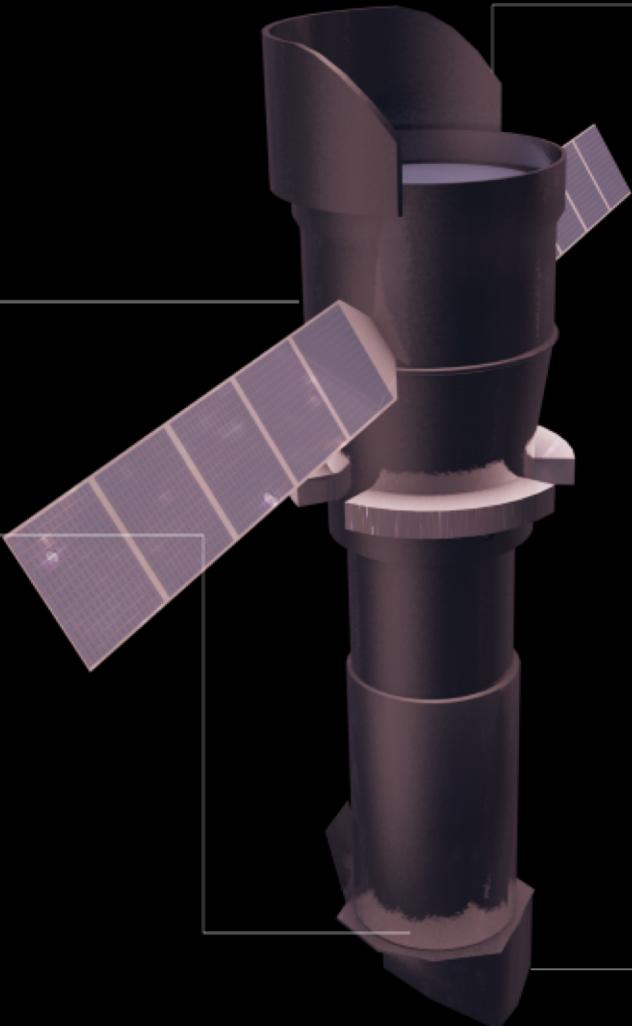
# The Athena Observatory

Willingale et al, 2013  
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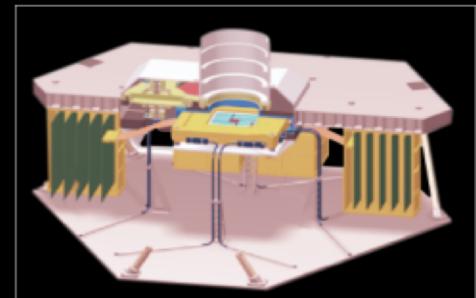
L1 orbit Ariane VI  
TOO in 4 hrs  
Mass 7 tons  
Power 2500 W  
4+6 year mission



**X-ray Integral Field Unit:**  
 $\Delta E$ : 2.5 eV  
Field of View: 5 arcmin  
Operating temp: 50 mk

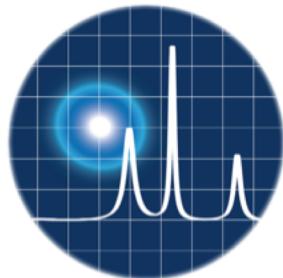
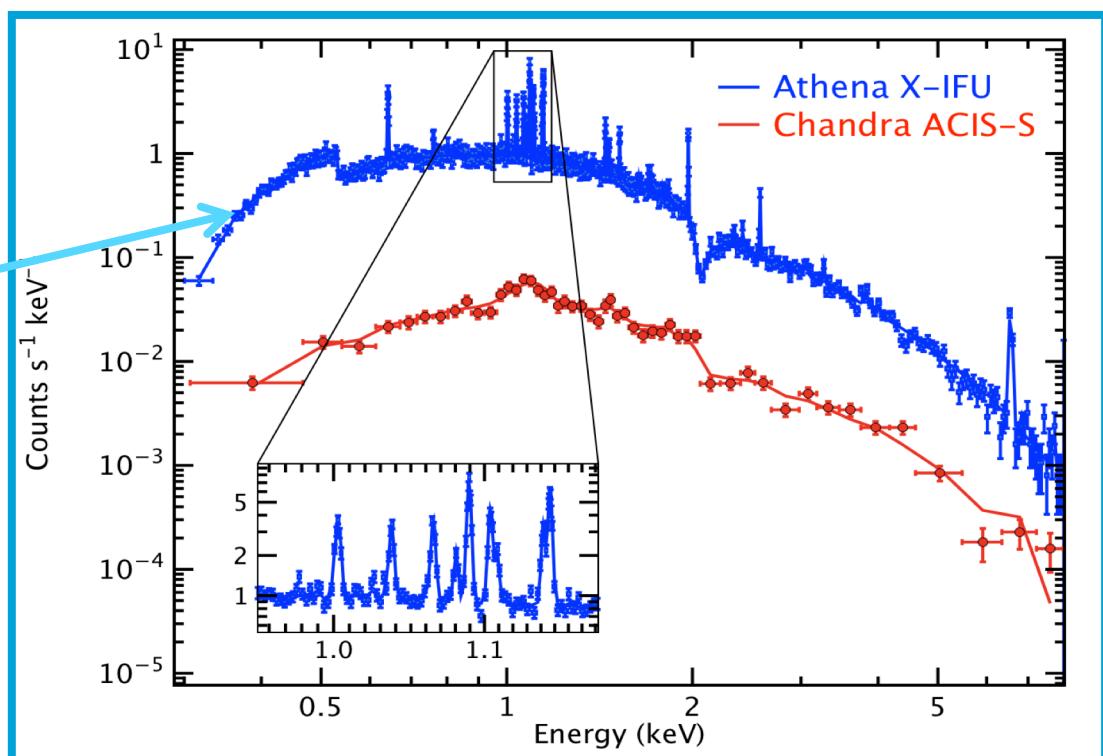
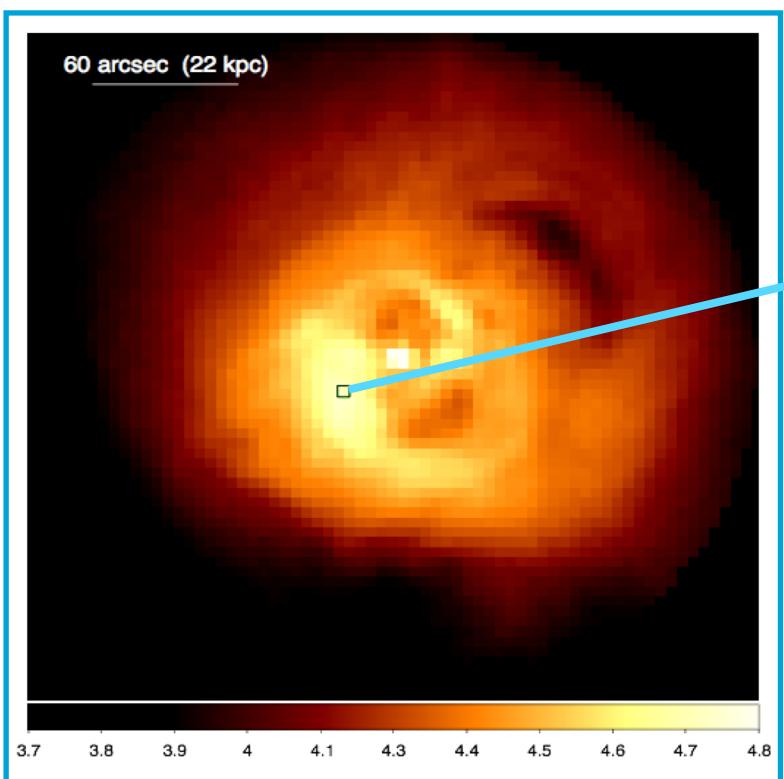


**Silicon Pore Optics:**  
 $1.4 \text{ m}^2$  at 1 keV  
5 arcsec HEW  
Focal length: 12 m  
Sensitivity:  $3 \cdot 10^{-17} \text{ erg cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$

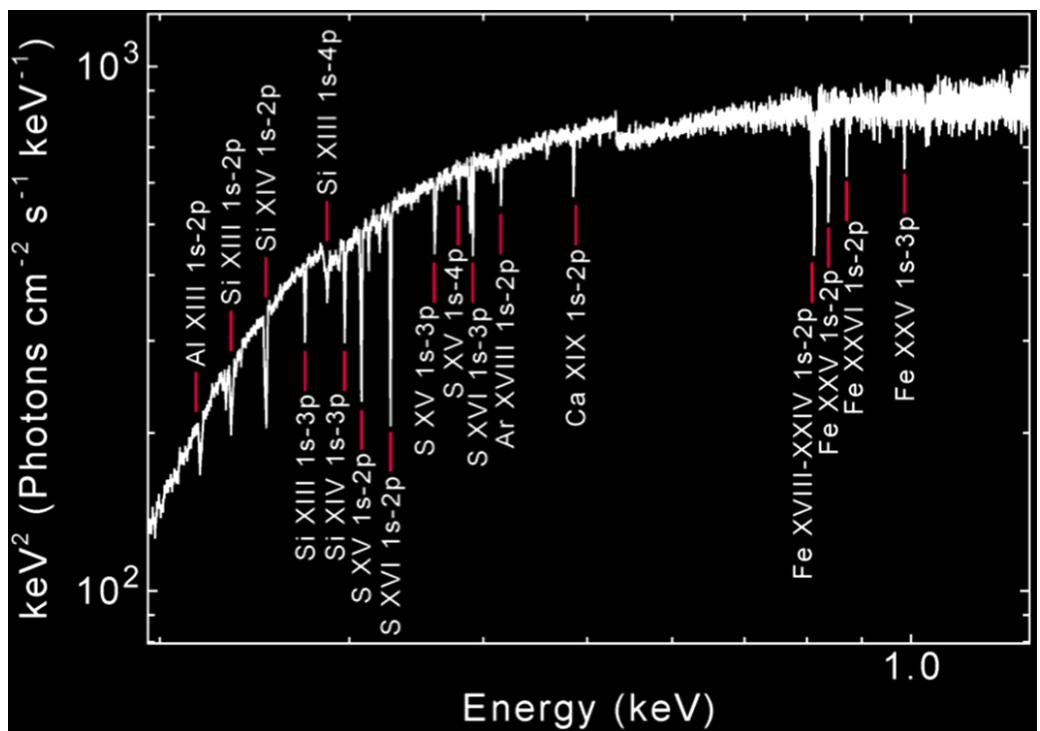
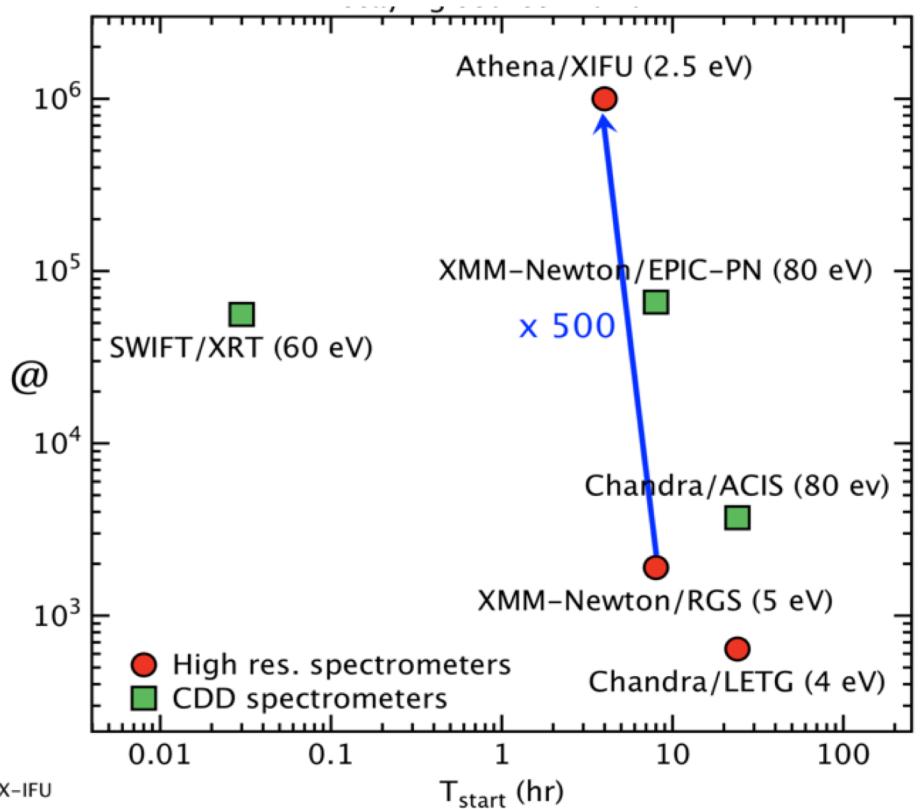


**Wide Field Imager:**  
 $\Delta E$ : 125 eV  
Field of View: 40 arcmin  
High countrate capability

# The first X-ray IFU

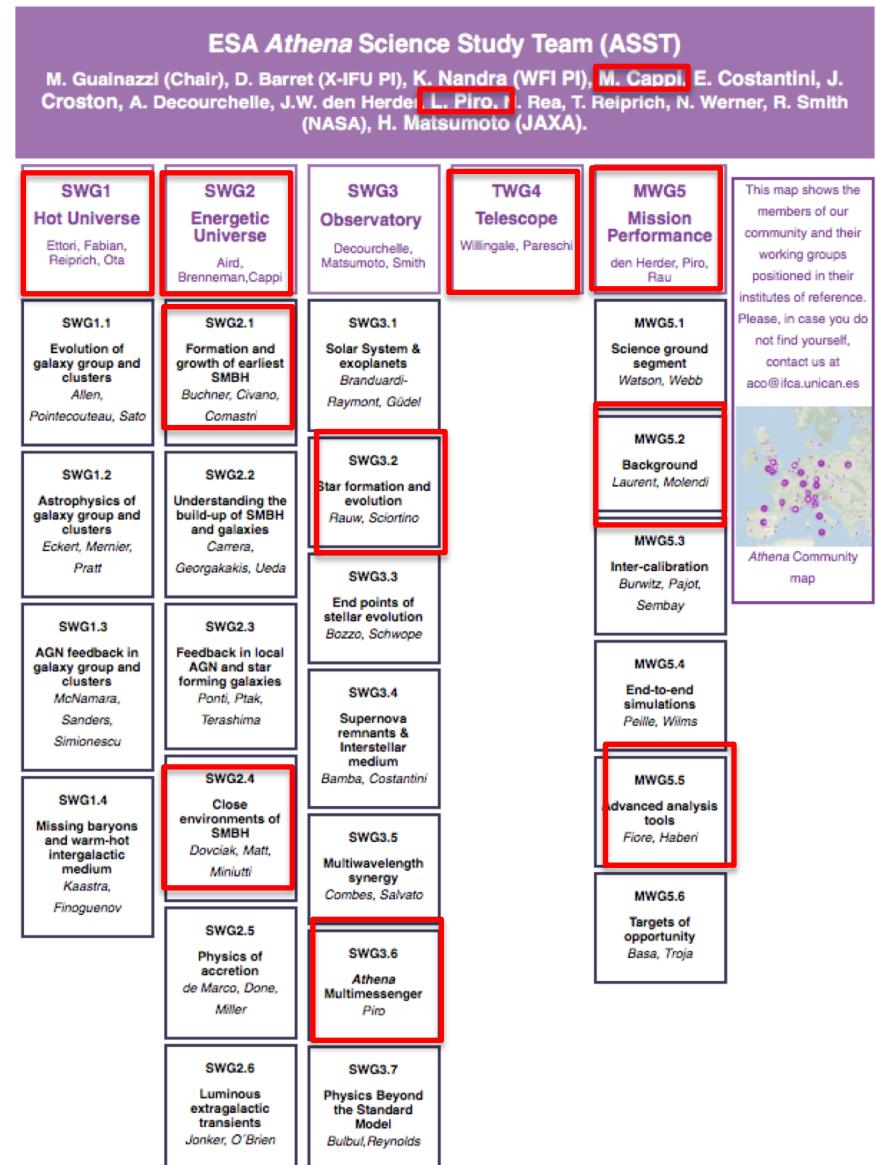
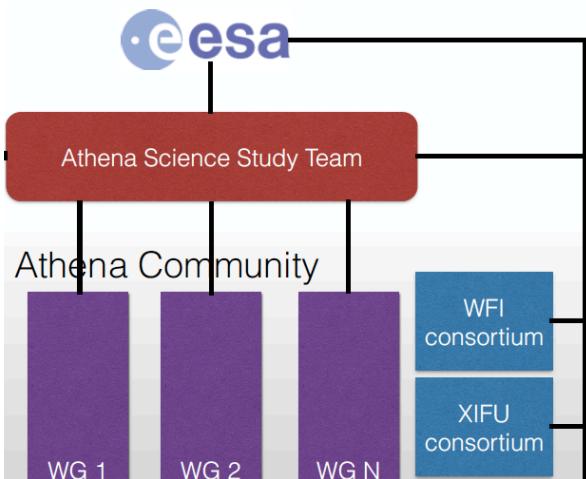
**IFU****X-ray Integral Field Unit**

# Transient Universe



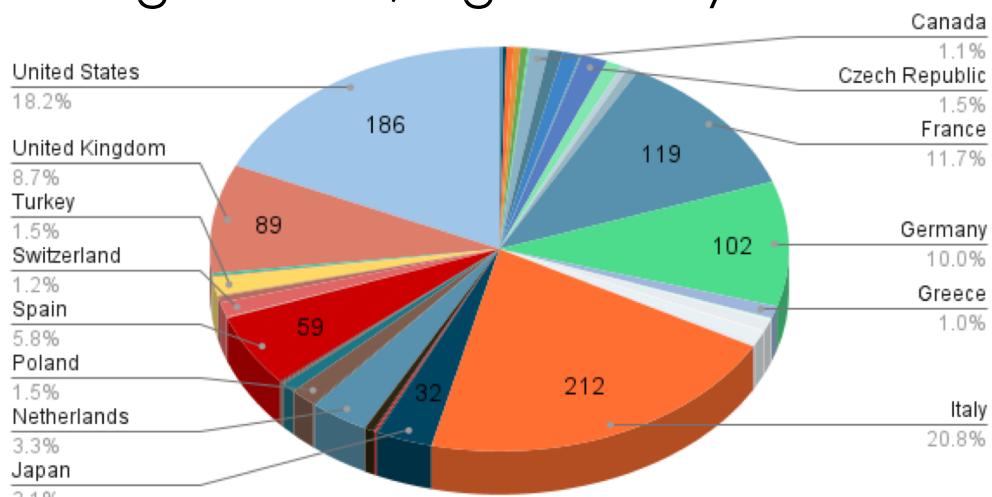
# International Organization

- ESA responsible at system level, spacecraft, launcher, mirror, operations and SOC
- Instruments and Science Ground Segment by Instrument Consortia:
  - XIFU PI/CoPI: France, Holland, Italy (INAF/IAPS)
  - WFI PI: Germany
- NASA & JAXA contributions
- ESA Athena Science Study Team
  - Science & Mission WG



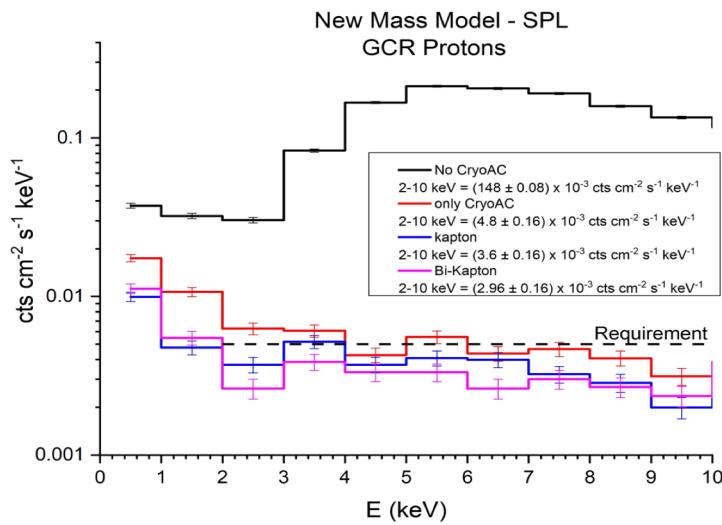
# INAF leadership in ATHENA

- XIFU CoPI-ship (INAF/IAPS) + synergical participation to WFI
- Italian responsibilities on XIFU: enabling science, high visibility:
  - cryoAC TES microcalorimeter
  - background
  - Filters
  - ICU
  - XSAT chairship
- System/satellite
  - Particle environment and orbit
  - Mirror calibration and module integration
- Italian representatives in ASST & WGs: 2 ESA Study Team, 9 co-chairs of Mission & Science WGs, 212 members (largest contribution vs total 1020)
  - INAF: IAPS (lead of the Athena Italian Consortium), IASF-MI, IASF-Bo, IASF-Pa, OAB, OABo, OATo, OAPa, OATs, OAR, plus all other INAF obs for participation to wgs
  - Univ. & INFN Genova, Univ Rm1,Rm2,Rm3, Univ. Bo, Univ. Pa, Uni.Mi
  - CNR, IFN-RM

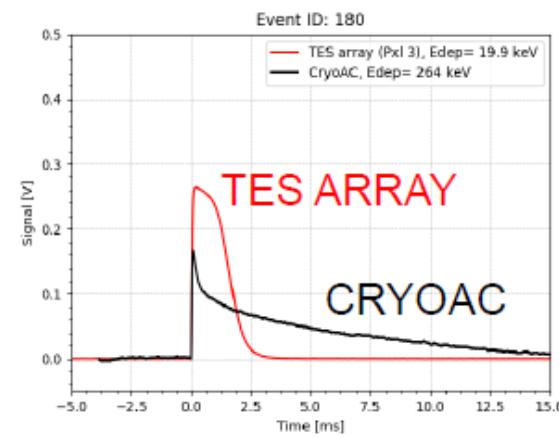
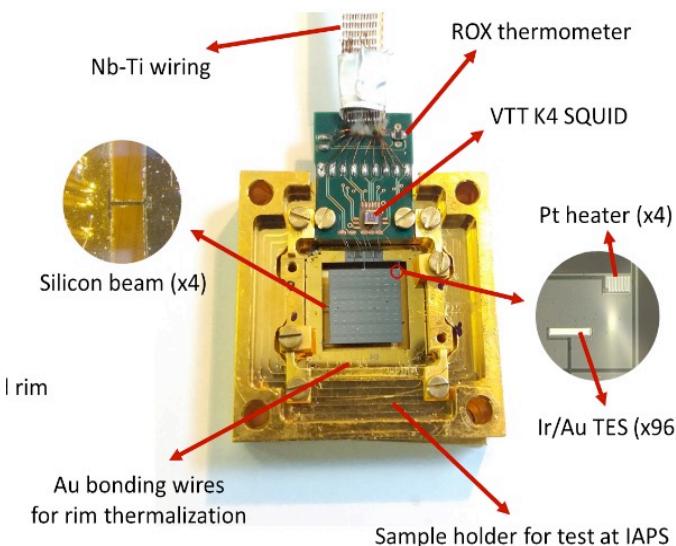


# Bkg and TES CryoAnticoincidence

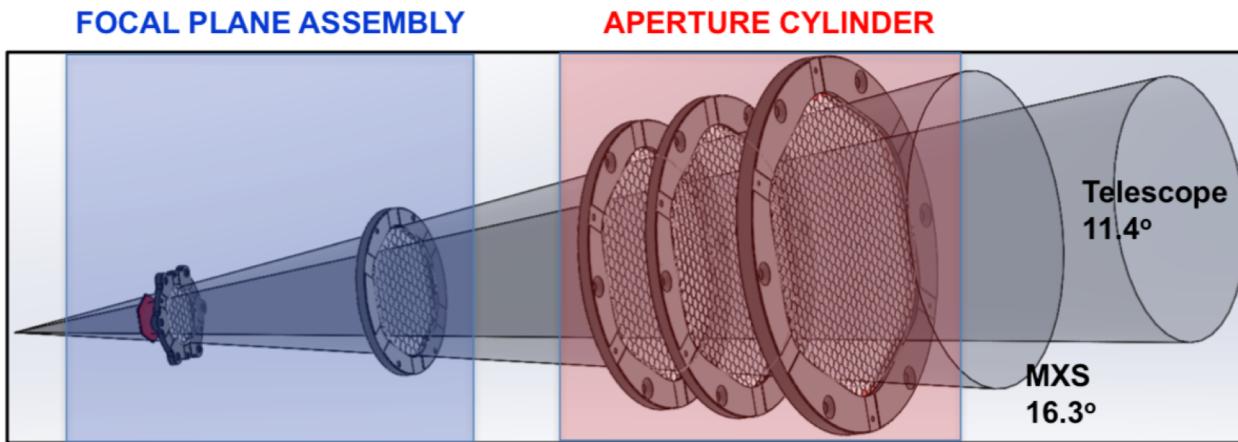
- Enables XIFU science for faint & diffuse sources (INAF/IAPS, UNI&INFN/Ge, INAF/IASF-Mi, CNR/IFN-RM)
- The first large area (1 cm<sup>2</sup>) TES array: longstanding development by INAF&INFN/UniGe
- The only European TES onboard



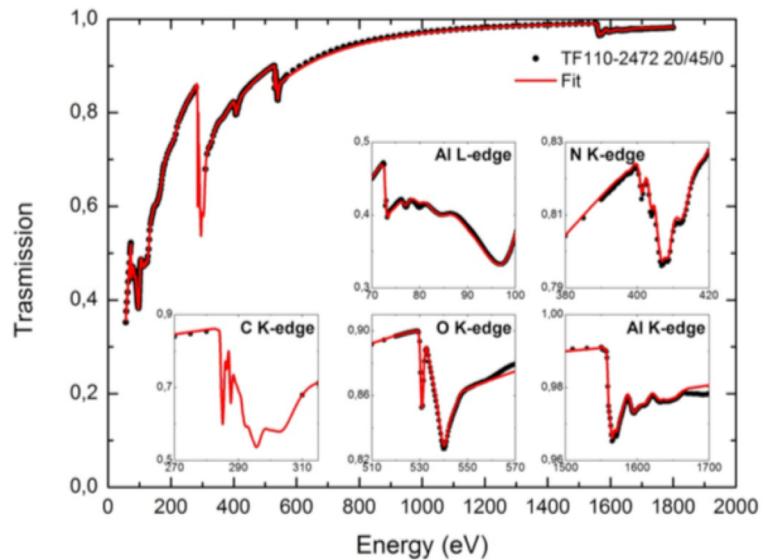
- Particle bkg & Environment (INAF: IAPS, IASF-Mi, IASF-Pa, OAS)



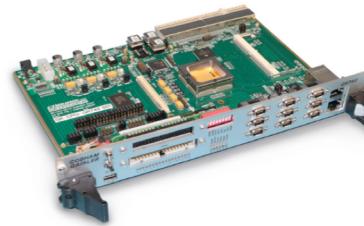
# Thermal Filters



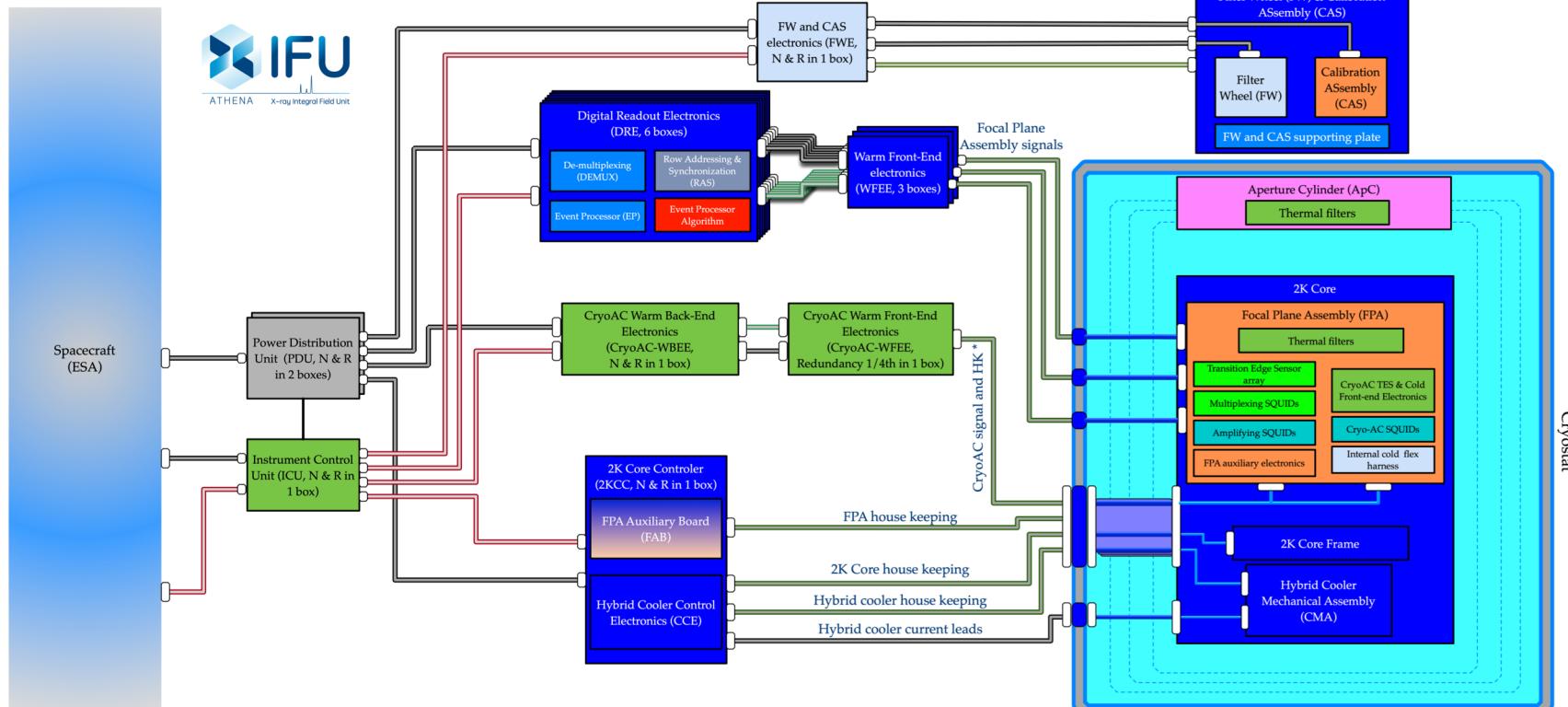
- Block thermal inputs and EMI onto the TES vs soft X-ray transmission
- 5 filters from 300K to 50 mK, 4 x larger than XRISM.
- OaPA & UniPa



# XIFU ICU

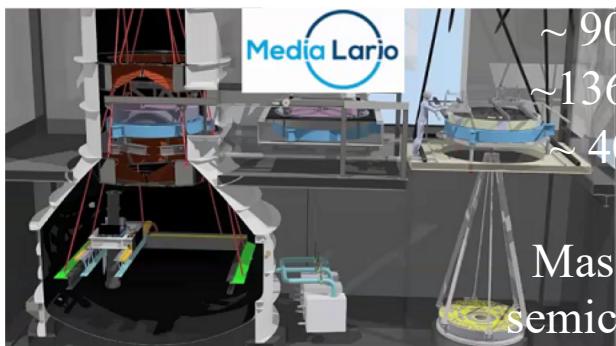
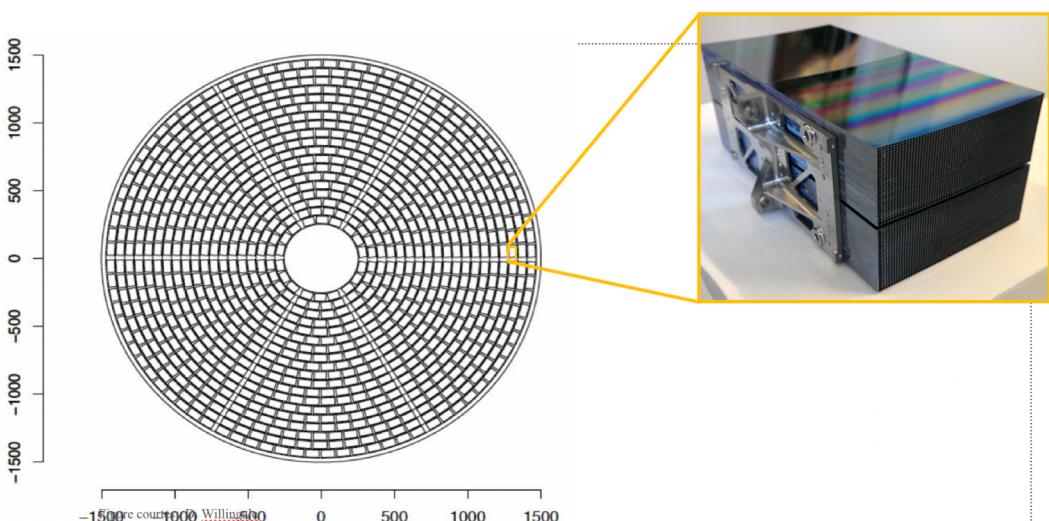


- Commanding all XIFU subsystems
- Euclid heritage
- OAS & OaTO

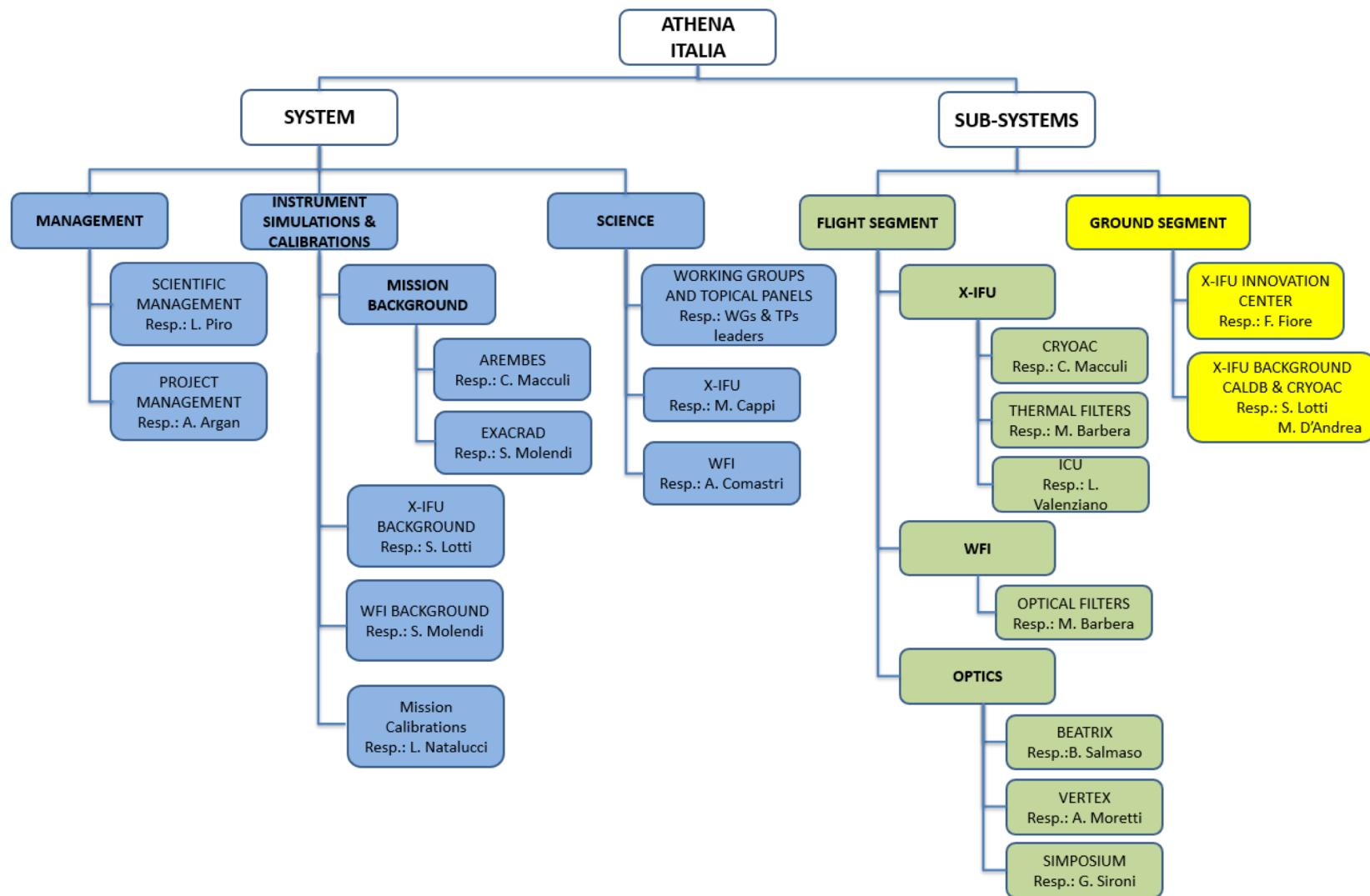


# Mirror Integration & Calibration

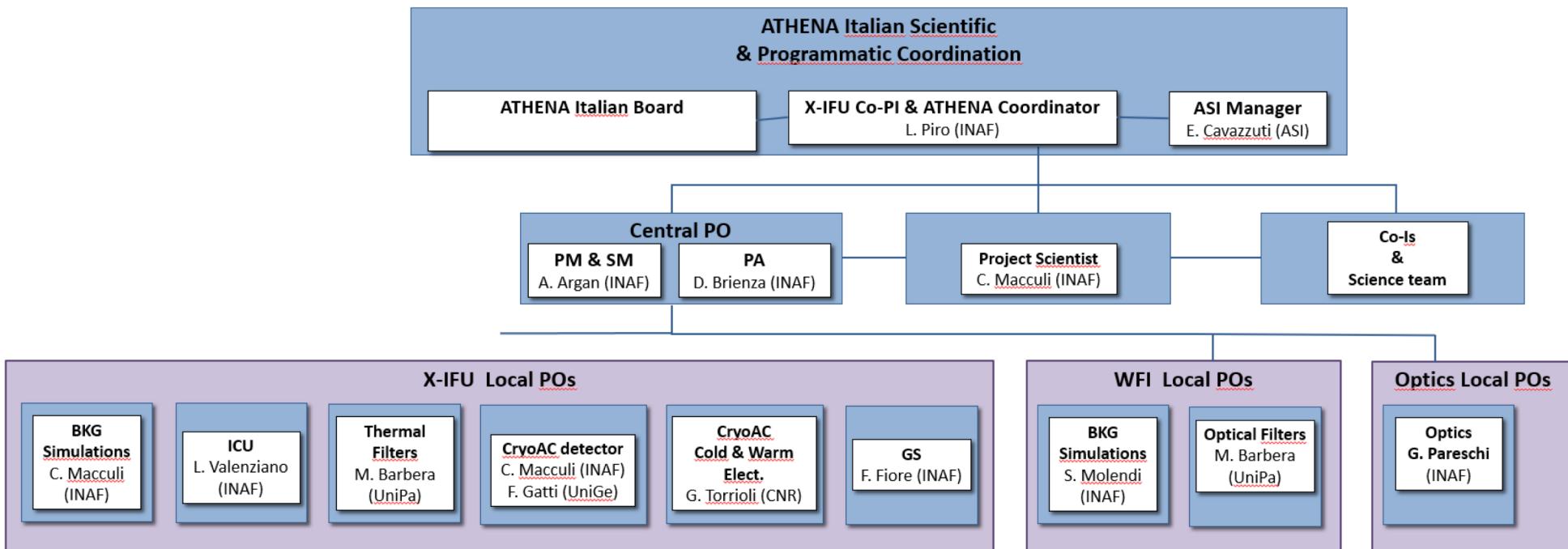
- Facilities @ INAF (OAB) for proper Mirror Modules assembly (600 MM) and calibration: Beatrix & VERTEX



# WBS Italy

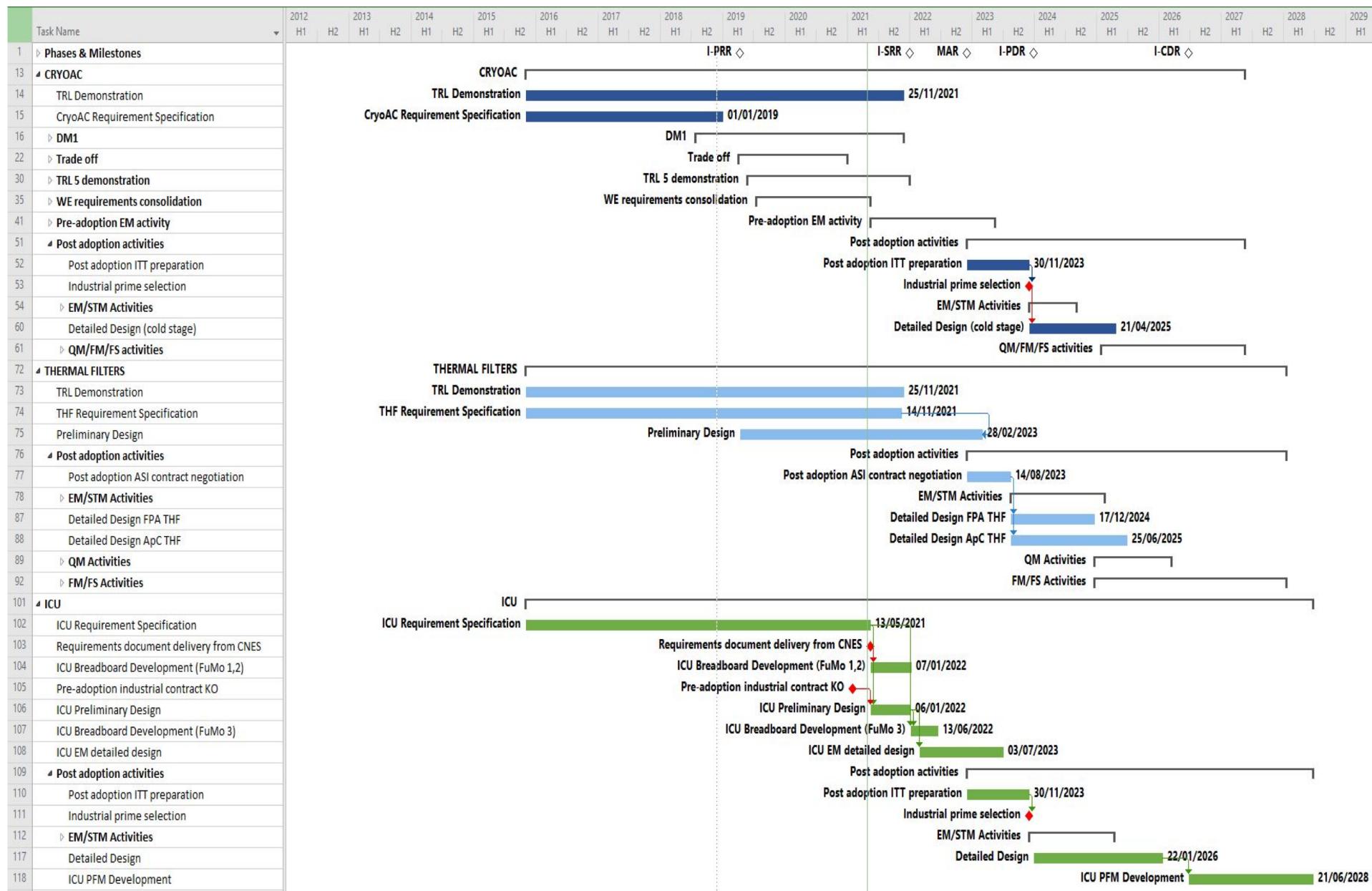


# OBS Italy



## Schedule

- ✓ Hot&Energetic Univ. Theme selected for ESA L2 Nov. 2013
- ✓ Athena Mission selected Jun. 2014
- ✓ Phase A and B1 on going
- ✓ Implementation Phase 2023
- ✓ Launch 2033/34
- ✓ Operations: 4 +6 years



# Schedula

- EM
  - Cryoac cold stage: Q1 2023
  - Filtri : Q2 2023
  - Cryoac warm electronics: Q3 2024
  - ICU: Q3 2024
- FM
  - Cryoac cold stage: Q4 2025
  - Cryoac warm elect: Q2 2027
  - Filtri: Q2 2026
  - ICU: Q4 2027

# Fondi e risorse

- ASI: Athena phase A-B1 contract + addendum; fase di implementazione in discussione
- EU: AHEAD & AHEAD2020
- ESA tenders: Bkg simulations (PI: IAPS); bkg measurements (PI:IASF/MI), Mirror (PI: OAB); TES Technology (IAPS, participant), Filter(OaPA, participant)
- INAF fondi CaC (primariamente ASI): 15Me
- FTE INAF: 350 FTE

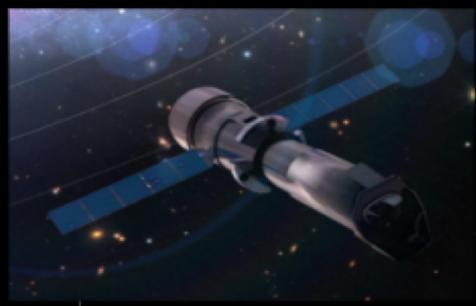
# Criticità

- A livello programmatico la complessitá della integrazione del sistema XIFU porta in avanti nel tempo il feedback dai test di sistema ai sottosistemi e rende particolarmente importante la realizzazione del modello EM. La schedula di integrazione richiede di anticipare in fase B una serie di attività relative all'EM di long lead items (tipiche quindi della fase C) come la CryoAC e i filtri. Alcune criticitá programmatiche e budgetarie connesse sono in via di risoluzione con ASI.
- Stabilitá dei finanziamenti ASI (sperabilmente superato)
- Pre-contratto industriale KO in anticipo rispetto congelamento I/F requirements e design
- La consegna del red book è stata spostata a Febbraio 2022 in modo da basarlo su performance scientifiche comprovate, come richiesto da ESA.
- Personale con bkg ingegneristico e project managing fondamentale per il progetto. Aspetto strategico per INAF

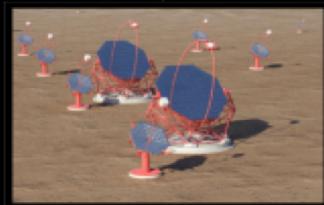
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# Athena in context of large facilities

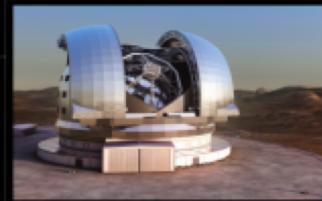
ATHENA



CTA



E-ELT



JWST



ALMA



SKA



**Multimessenger (v's and  
GW): KM3NET, IceCube,  
ALIGO, AVIRGO, ET**

Y-RAY

X-RAY

UV

OPTICAL

IR

SUBMM

RADIO

Athena is a crucial part of the suite of large observatories needed to reach the science objectives of astronomy in the coming decades