

An aerial rendering of the ELT-HIRES spectrograph structure. The structure is a large, dome-shaped building with a blue and white exterior. The top of the dome is open, revealing a complex internal framework of white and yellow metal. The building is situated on a flat, paved area on a mountain peak. In the background, there are rolling hills and mountains under a clear sky. The overall scene is a detailed architectural visualization of the proposed spectrograph for the Extremely Large Telescope.

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Broad Context & History

- ★ European Extremely Large Telescope (ELT) will be the largest ground-based telescope at visible and infrared wavelengths
 - Flagship science cases: the detection of life signatures in Earth-like exoplanets and the direct detection of the cosmic expansion re-acceleration (both require high resolution spectroscopy)
- ★ High resolution spectroscopy (HRS)
 - Interdisciplinary (from Exoplanets to Cosmology and Fundamental Physics)
 - Successful ESO tradition (UVES, FLAMES, CRIRES, X-shooter, HARPS; ESPRESSO)
 - More than 30% of ESO publications can be attributed to its high-resolution spectrographs.
- ★ HRS At 8m-class telescope entered into photon starved regime
- ★ **Merging of CODEX and SIMPLE concepts into HIRES spectrograph $R \sim 100,000$ in $0.37\text{-}2.4 \mu\text{m}$**
- ★ **HIRES Phase A study started March 2016, completed March 2018**
- ★ Several activities completed in “pre-Phase B”, including modified baseline design
- ★ ESO Council approval of HIRES Construction Agreement on December 7 2021
- ★ **Phase B kick off by first half of 2022 following:**
 - signature of Construction agreement by ESO and INAF
 - signature of Consortium agreement by all Consortium Partners

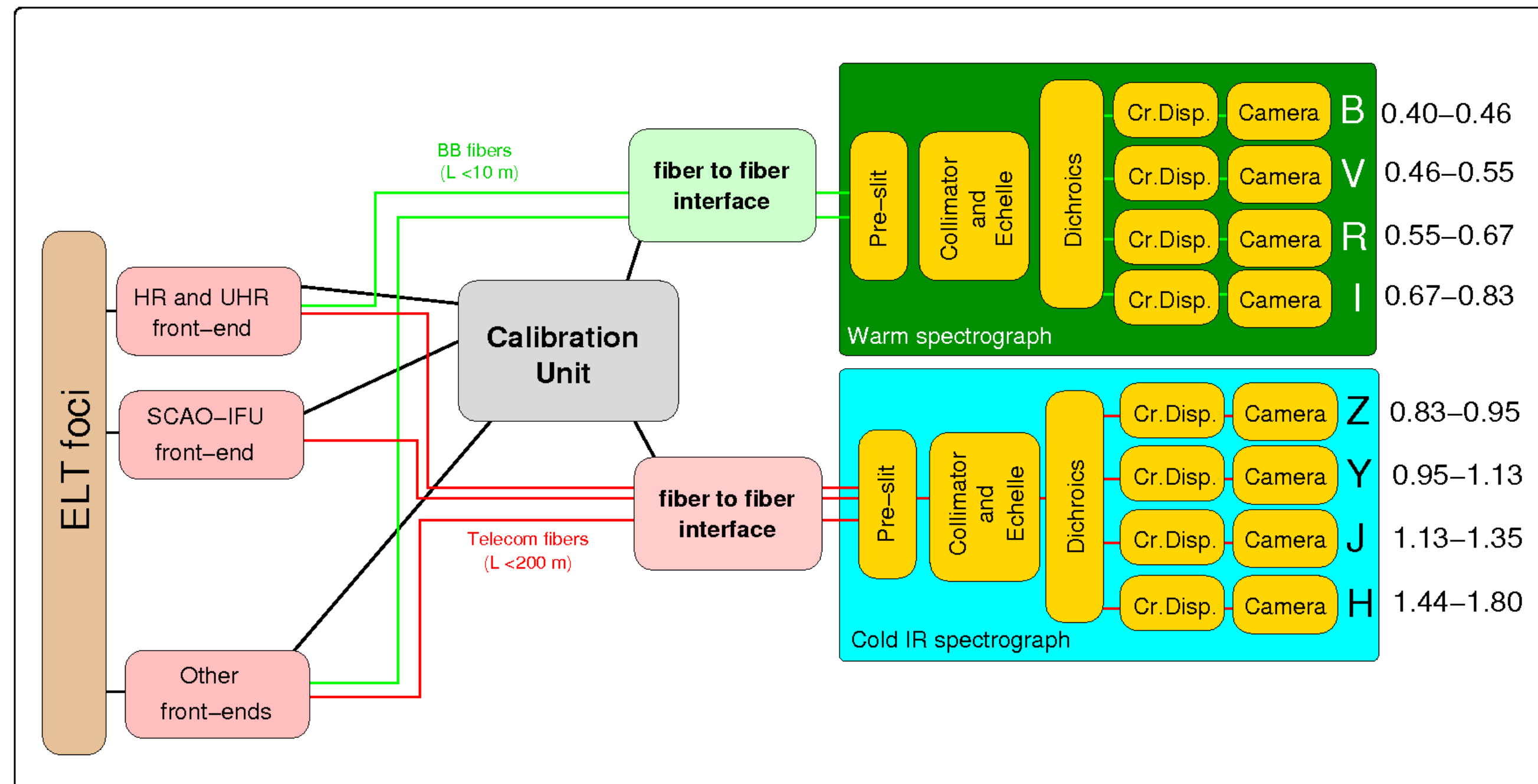
A subset of HIRES Science Cases

- ★ **Exoplanets** (characterisation of Exoplanets Atmospheres: detection of signatures of life)
- ★ **Protoplanetary Disks** (dynamics, chemistry and physical conditions of the inner regions)
- ★ **Stellar Astrophysics** (abundances of solar type and cooler dwarfs in galactic disk bulge, halo and nearby dwarfs: tracing chemical enrichment of Pop III stars in nearby universe)
- ★ **Stellar Populations** (metal enrichment and dynamics of extragalactic star clusters and resolved stellar populations)
- ★ **Intergalactic Medium** (Signatures of reionization and early enrichment of ISM & IGM observed in high-z quasar spectra)
- ★ **Galaxy Evolution** (massive early type galaxies during epochs of formation and assembly)
- ★ **Supermassive Black Holes** (the low mass end)
- ★ **Fundamental Physics** (variation of fundamental constants - α , m_p/m_e Sandage Test)

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2. Variation of the fundamental constants of Physics
3. Exoplanet atmospheres via reflection spectroscopy (potential detection of bio-signatures)
4. Redshift drift (Sandage test)

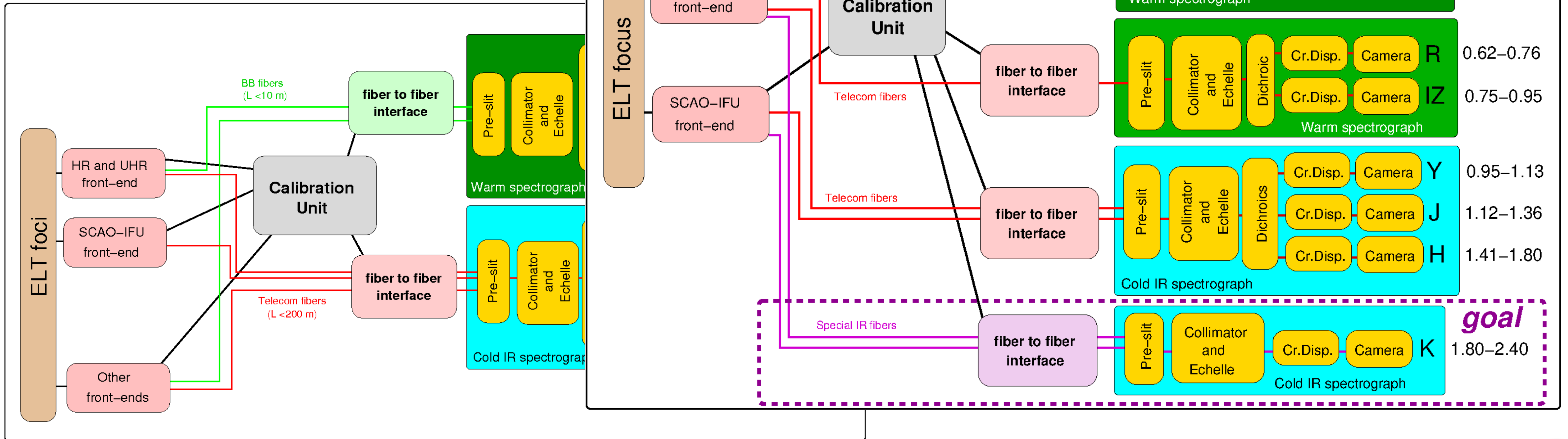
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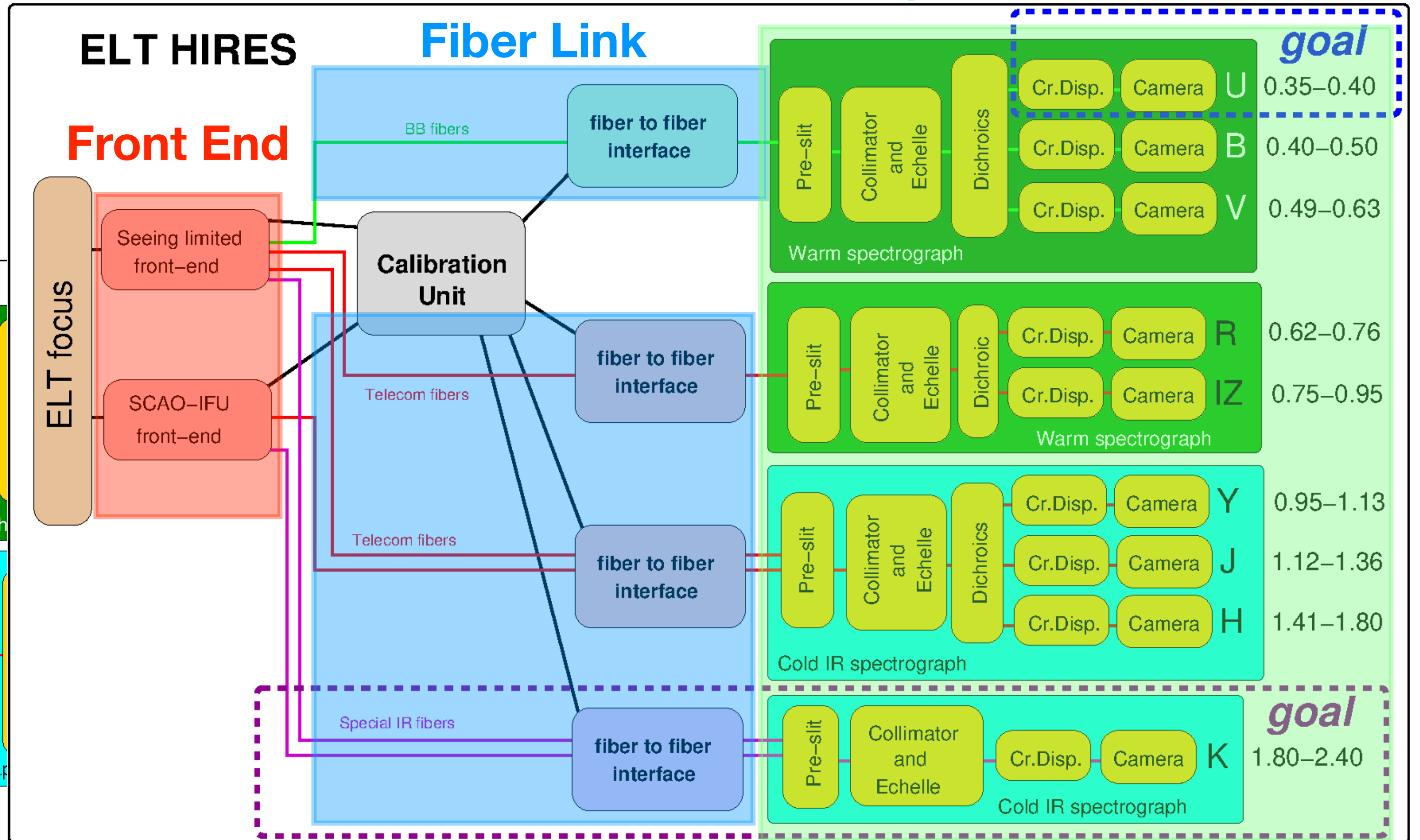
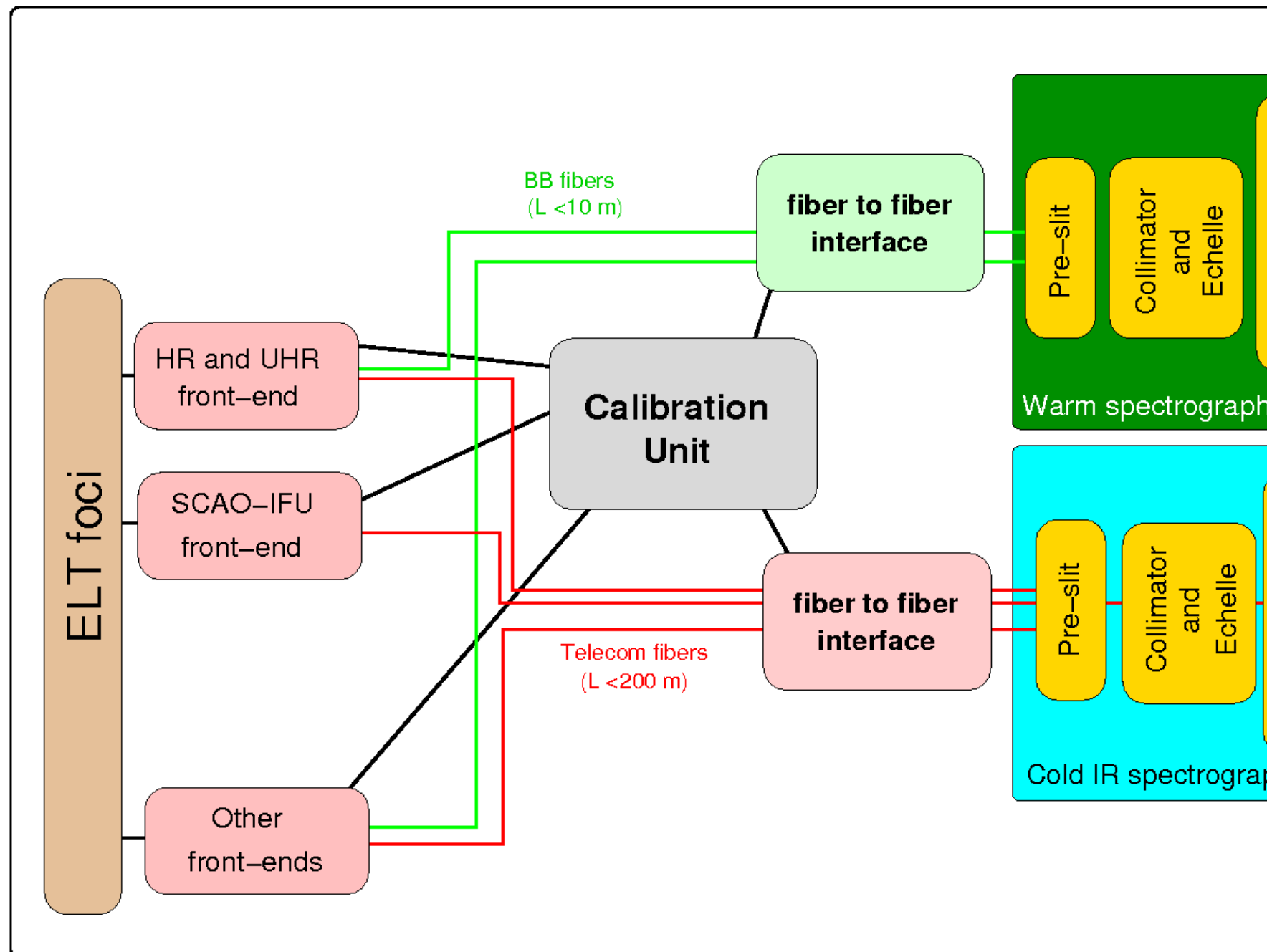
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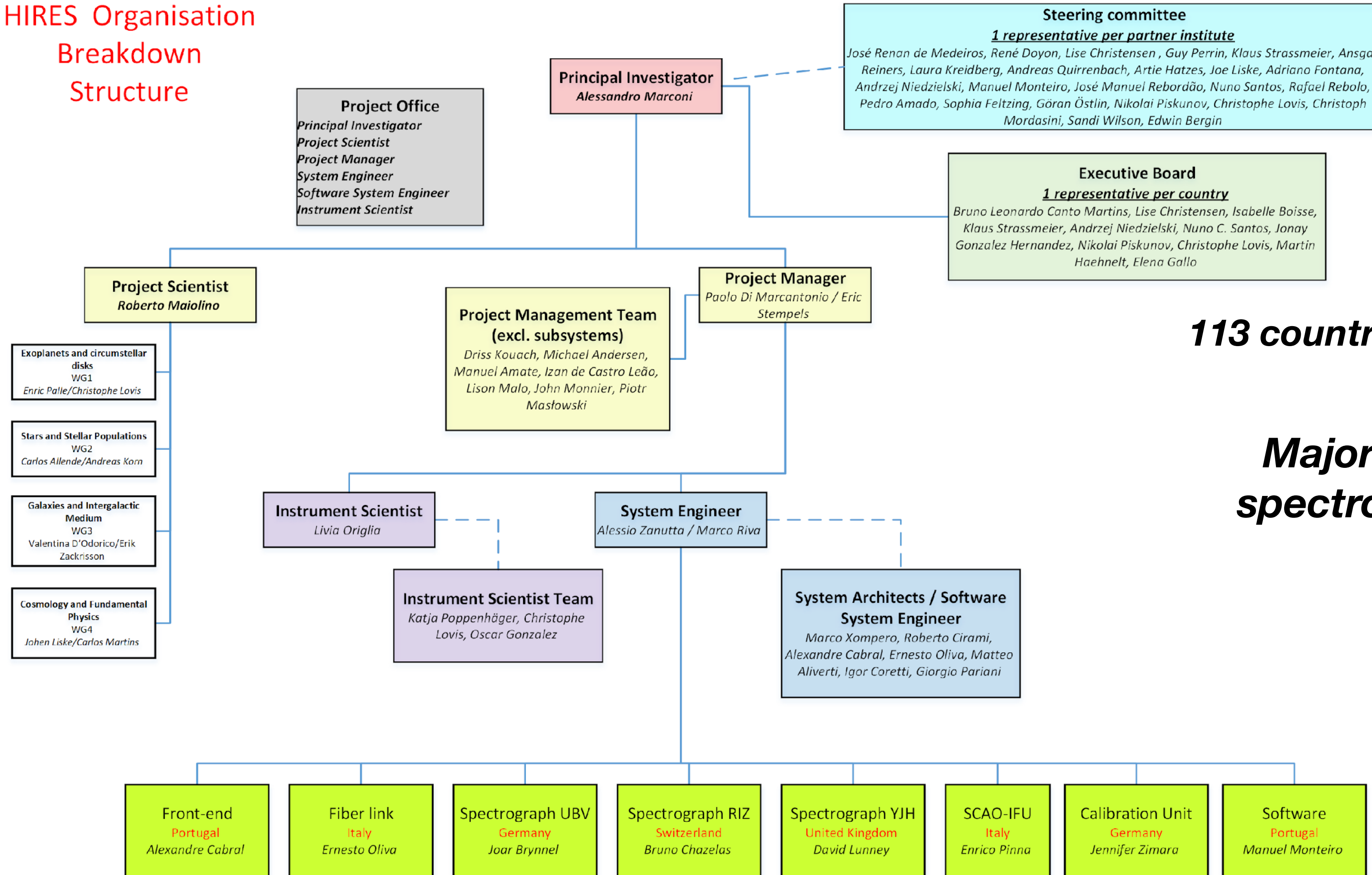
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The HIRES Consortium Organization

HIRES Organisation Breakdown Structure



113 countries, more than 30 institutes

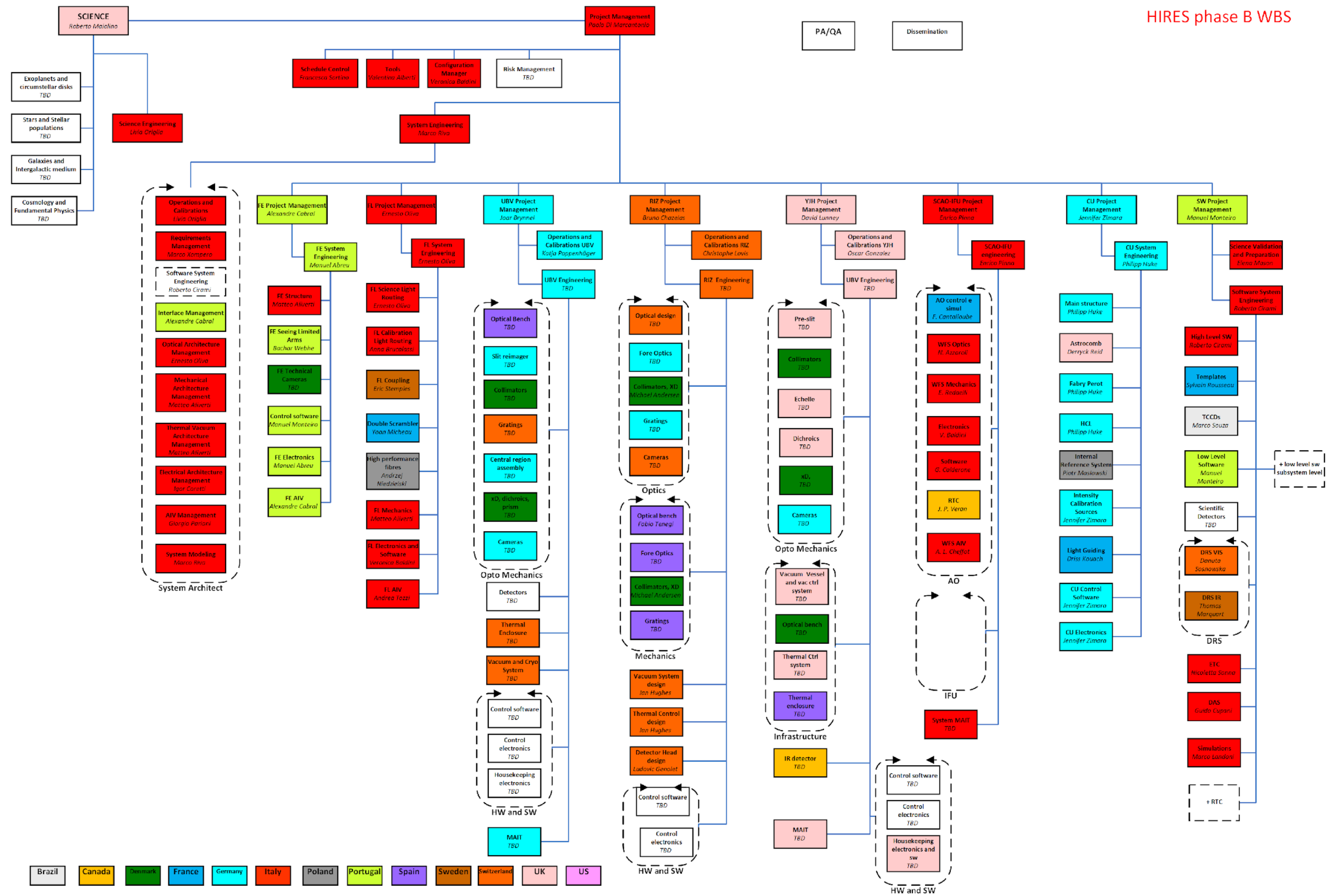
~200 people

Majority of high resolution spectroscopy experts in ESO member states



HIRES Work Breakdown organization

HIRES phase B WBS



- Brazil
- Canada
- Denmark
- France
- Germany
- Italy
- Poland
- Portugal
- Spain
- Sweden
- Switzerland
- UK
- US

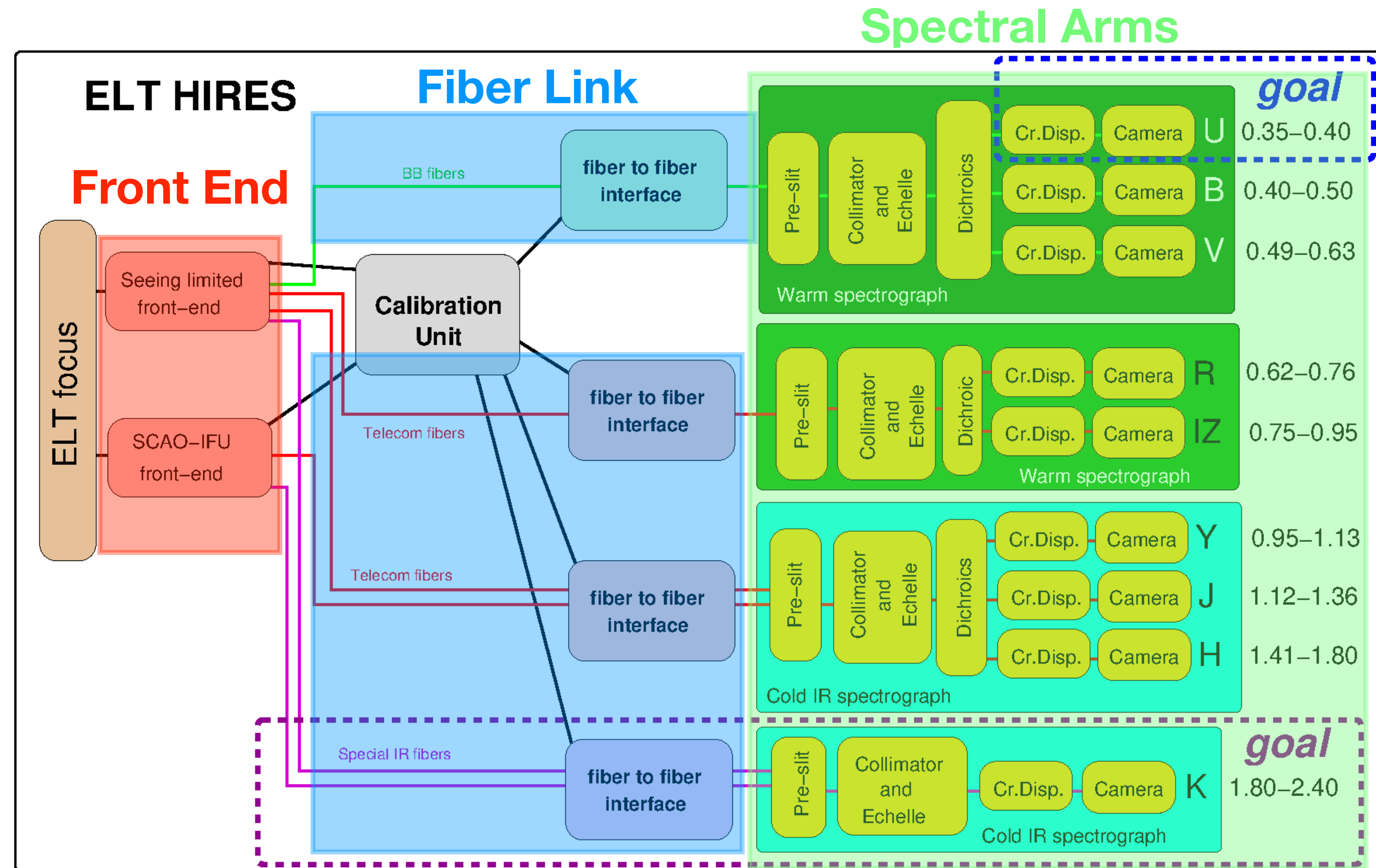
Cost, GTO & Schedule

Total estimated cost of baseline design is ~35 MEUR, + 600 FTEs

★ >125 GTO nights which will be used for Consortium science programs

Schedule

- ★ Phase A: 2016-2018 **Completed!**
- ★ Phase B (PDR): 2022-2023
- ★ Phase C (FDR): 2024-2025
- ★ Integration (PAE): 2026-2029
- ★ Commissioning & PAC: 2029/2030



Summary of ELT HIRES project

- ★ International consortium: **32+ institutes, 13 countries, >200 people**
- ★ Successful Phase A study 03/2016 - 03/2018
- ★ **Aggressive schedule: Start Phase B ~2022, @ELT in 2029-2030**
- ★ **Science priorities (plus many other great science cases ...):**
 1. biomarkers from exoplanet atmospheres in transmission
 2. variation of fundamental constants of Physics
 3. biomarkers from exoplanet atmospheres in reflection
 4. direct detection of Cosmic acceleration through Sandage effect
- ★ **Modular fiber-fed cross dispersed echelle spectrograph**
- ★ **Simultaneous range 0.4-1.8 μm (ultrastable BLUE+RED+NIR)
Resolution $\sim 100,000$**
- ★ **Several interchangeable, observing modes:
Seeing limited & SCAO+IFU**
- ★ **Total estimated cost of baseline is 35 MEUR, + 550 FTEs**
 - technically “simple”
 - almost pupil independent
 - great science cases (fulfills top 4 priorities)
 - modular, staged deployment possible

