

THE INAF CONTRIBUTION TO THE MOSAIC INSTRUMENT CONTROL SOFTWARE

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Overview

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Mosaic ICS (Instrument Control System)
overview

ELT Instrument Framework installation and
update

Integration of simulated and real devices
(Beckoff PLC/ESO IFW)

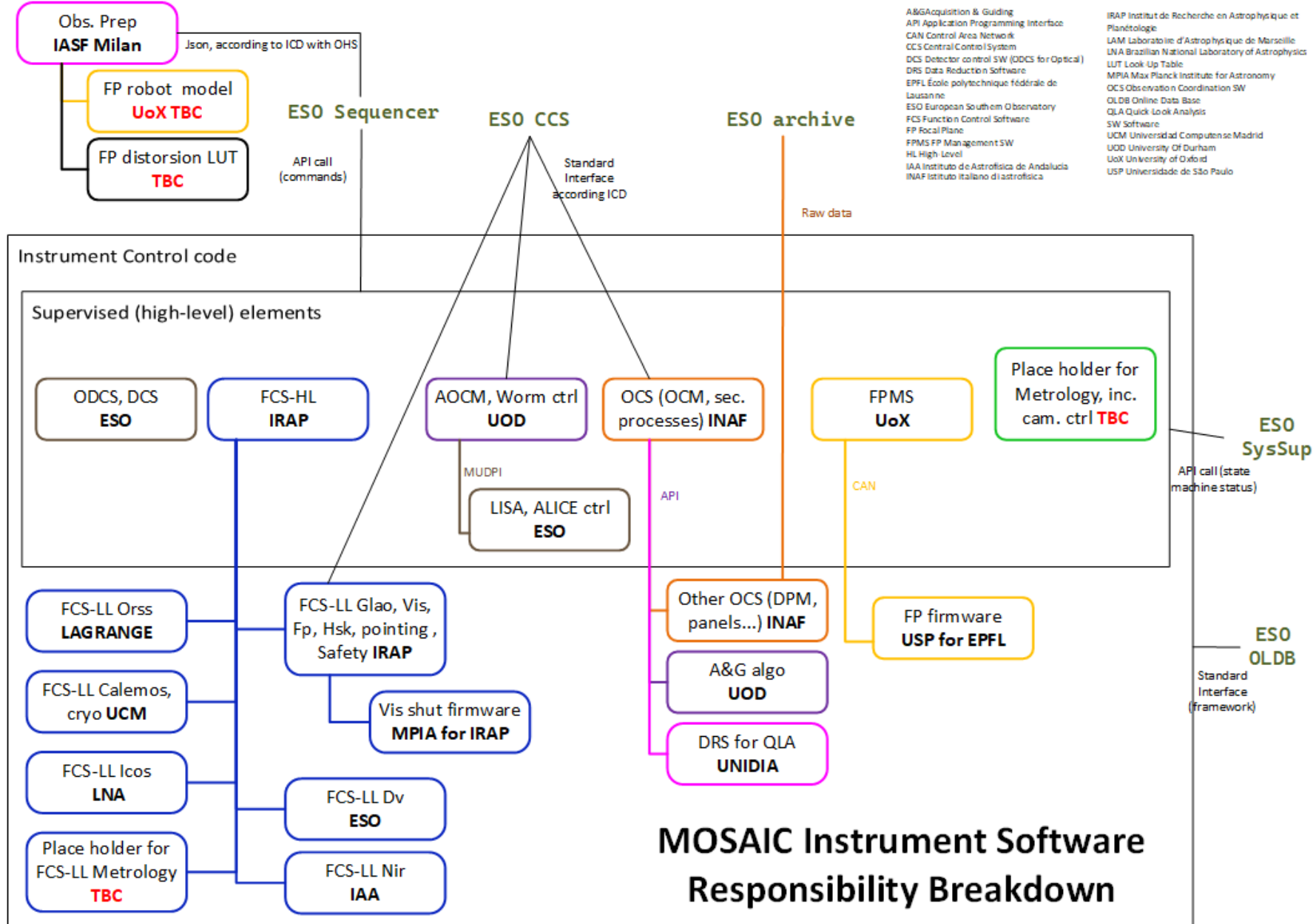
Simulating NGCII controllers

Remote integration experiment

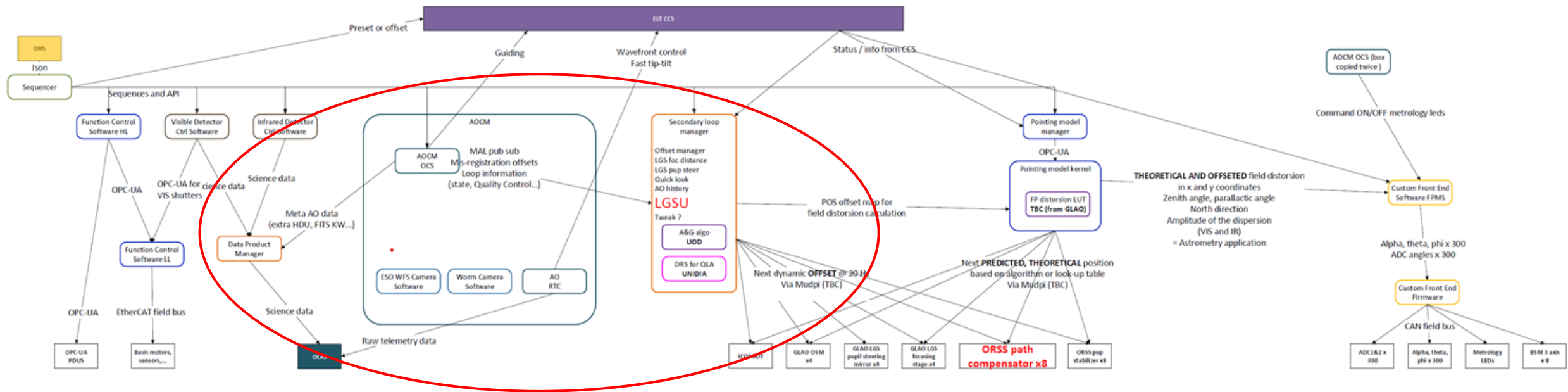
INAF OATo SW team

- S. Ligori, V. Capobianco mainly involved in Space projects (in the past, Euclid NISP Instrument control unit; currently ESA projects NewAthena and Ariel)
- Past experiences with ESO instrumentation (i.e.: MIDI@VLT)
- M. Carnerero mostly involved with multi-wavelength astronomical data reduction (Vera Rubin-LSST, Gaia, WEBT...) and databases, currently under temporary contract for Mosaic
- Expertise in C/C++, Python programming fits well in the context of ESO SW

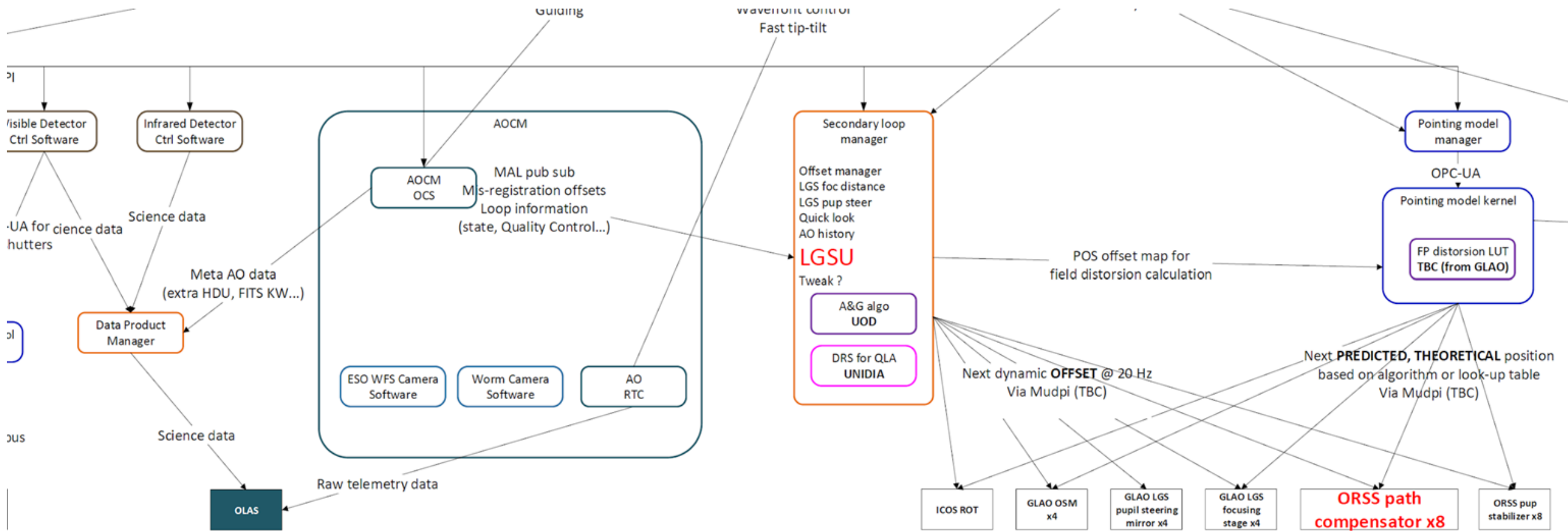
Mosaic Instrument software structure



OCS (Observation Coordination SW) Role



OCS Role



Device control: Motors

Axis description	Part	SubSystem	Us...	Expected precision (UU)	Expected repeatability (UU)	MOSAIC SW devic...
LGSS focusing stage on GBOX 4	M-414.2DG	Ground Layer AO Su...	mm			motglao4lgsfoc
NGSS Object Steering Mirror on ...	H-811.I2 C-887.5330	Ground Layer AO Su...	mm			maxisglao1ngsosm
NGSS Object Steering Mirror on ...	H-811.I2 C-887.5330	Ground Layer AO Su...	mm			maxisglao2ngsosm
NGSS Object Steering Mirror on ...	H-811.I2 C-887.5330	Ground Layer AO Su...	mm			maxisglao3ngsosm
NGSS Object Steering Mirror on ...	H-811.I2 C-887.5330	Ground Layer AO Su...	mm			maxisglao4ngsosm
LGS1 pupil steering mirror (2 DoF)		Ground Layer AO Su...	mm			maxisglao1lgspup (T...
LGS2 pupil steering mirror (2 DoF)		Ground Layer AO Su...	mm			maxisglao2lgspup (T...
LGS3 pupil steering mirror (2 DoF)		Ground Layer AO Su...	mm			maxisglao3lgspup (T...
LGS4 pupil steering mirror (2 DoF)		Ground Layer AO Su...	mm			maxisglao4lgspup (T...
ORSS 1optical path compensator	LIMES 170-1000-HiD...	Optical Relays sub-s...	mm	0.1	0.01	motorss1path
ORSS 2 optical path compensator	LIMES 170-1000-HiD...	Optical Relays sub-s...	mm	0.1	0.01	motorss2path
ORSS 3 optical path compensator	LIMES 170-1000-HiD...	Optical Relays sub-s...	mm	0.1	0.01	motorss3path
ORSS 4 optical path compensator	LIMES 170-1000-HiD...	Optical Relays sub-s...	mm	0.1	0.01	motorss4path
ORSS 5 optical path compensator	LIMES 170-1000-HiD...	Optical Relays sub-s...	mm	0.1	0.01	motorss5path
ORSS 6 optical path compensator	LIMES 170-1000-HiD...	Optical Relays sub-s...	mm	0.1	0.01	motorss6path
ORSS 7 optical path compensator	LIMES 170-1000-HiD...	Optical Relays sub-s...	mm	0.1	0.01	motorss7path
ORSS 8 optical path compensator	LIMES 170-1000-HiD...	Optical Relays sub-s...	mm	0.1	0.01	motorss8path
ORSS 1 longitudinal pupil stabilizer	LIMES 84N-45-HiDS...	Optical Relays sub-s...	mm	0.1	0.01	motorss1pup
ORSS 2 longitudinal pupil stabilizer	LIMES 84N-45-HiDS...	Optical Relays sub-s...	mm	0.1	0.01	motorss2pup
ORSS 3 longitudinal pupil stabilizer	LIMES 84N-45-HiDS...	Optical Relays sub-s...	mm	0.1	0.01	motorss3pup
ORSS 4 longitudinal pupil stabilizer	LIMES 84N-45-HiDS...	Optical Relays sub-s...	mm	0.1	0.01	motorss4pup
ORSS 5 longitudinal pupil stabilizer	LIMES 84N-45-HiDS...	Optical Relays sub-s...	mm	0.1	0.01	motorss5pup
ORSS 6 longitudinal pupil stabilizer	LIMES 84N-45-HiDS...	Optical Relays sub-s...	mm	0.1	0.01	motorss6pup
ORSS 7 longitudinal pupil stabilizer	LIMES 84N-45-HiDS...	Optical Relays sub-s...	mm	0.1	0.01	motorss7pup
ORSS 8 longitudinal pupil stabilizer	LIMES 84N-45-HiDS...	Optical Relays sub-s...	mm	0.1	0.01	motorss8pup
Instrument rotator	AM8051-wGyz	ICOS sub-system	Degree			rot
VIS blue grating exchange mech...	Model TBD	VIS Spectrograph	mm			motvisbluegrat
VIS red grating exchange mecha...	Model TBD	VIS Spectrograph	mm			motvisredgrat
VIS blue detector tip-tilt and focus		VIS Spectrograph	mm			maxisvisbluedet
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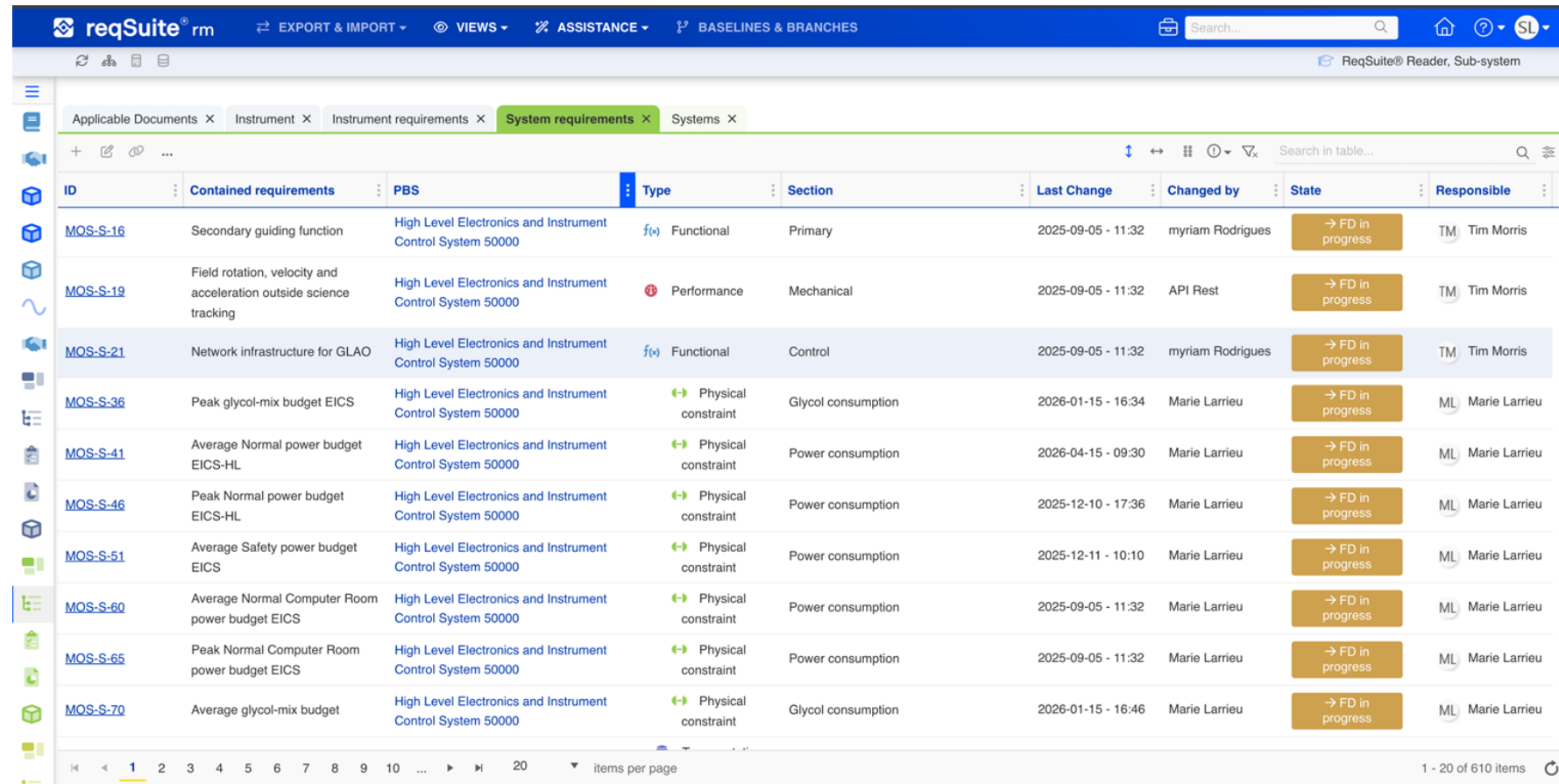
Device control: sensors

T Name (SW) ▾	T Help text ▾	🔗 Part list (sensor) ▾	T Expected accuracy (UU) ▾	T Expected repeatability (UU) ▾	T Nominal conditions ▾
temp1	ORSS 1 temperature		1 °C	0.1°C	
temp2	ORSS 2 temperature		1 °C	0.1°C	
temp3	ORSS 3 temperature		1 °C	0.1°C	
temp4	ORSS 4 temperature		1 °C	0.1°C	
temp5	ORSS 5 temperature		1 °C	0.1°C	
temp6	ORSS 6 temperature		1 °C	0.1°C	
temp7	ORSS 7 temperature		1 °C	0.1°C	
temp8	ORSS 8 temperature		1 °C	0.1°C	
temp1	ICOS temperature 1				
temprot	Rotator temperature				
position1	Measure distance between ICOS structure and telescope...				
position2	Measure distance between ICOS structure and telescope...				
doorswitches (TBC)	Interlocks?				
barrierswitches (TBC)	Interlocks?				
pres1					
pres2					
temp1	VIS DV temperature 1 used for monitoring				
temp2	VIS DV temperature 2 used for monitoring				
tempci1	VIS DV temperature 1 used for closed loop				
tempci2	VIS DV temperature 2 used for closed loop spare				
temp1	VIS spectrograph bench area 1 temperature	PT100 TS2239			
temp2	VIS spectrograph bench area 2 temperature	PT100 TS2239			
temp3	VIS spectrograph bench area 3 temperature	PT100 TS2239			
temp4	VIS spectrograph bench area 4 temperature	PT100 TS2239			
temp5	VIS spectrograph bench area 5 temperature	PT100 TS2239			
temp6	VIS spectrograph bench area 6 temperature	PT100 TS2239			
temp7	VIS spectrograph bench area 7 temperature	PT100 TS2239			
temp8	VIS spectrograph bench area 8 temperature	PT100 TS2239			
tempci1	VIS spectrograph bench temperature 1 used for regulation				
tempci2	VIS spectrograph bench temperature 2 used for regulation				
rhum	VIS spectrograph internal humidity sensor	DPK1010			
pres	VIS spectrograph internal pressure	DPK1010			

Project management tools

Mosaic has adopted a few tools for the different aspects of the project management:

- ReqSuite for the management of the requirements
- Taiga for issues and actions management and tracking
- Nuage as document repository



The screenshot displays the reqSuite web application interface. The top navigation bar includes the reqSuite logo, a search bar, and several menu items: EXPORT & IMPORT, VIEWS, ASSISTANCE, and BASELINES & BRANCHES. Below the navigation bar, there are tabs for 'Applicable Documents', 'Instrument', 'Instrument requirements', 'System requirements' (which is active), and 'Systems'. The main content area is a table with the following columns: ID, Contained requirements, PBS, Type, Section, Last Change, Changed by, State, and Responsible. The table lists 10 system requirements, each with a unique ID, a description of the requirement, the PBS (Product Breakdown Structure) it belongs to, its type (Functional or Physical constraint), the section it is part of, the last change date and time, the person who made the change, the current state (all are '→ FD in progress'), and the responsible person.

ID	Contained requirements	PBS	Type	Section	Last Change	Changed by	State	Responsible
MOS-S-16	Secondary guiding function	High Level Electronics and Instrument Control System 50000	f(+) Functional	Primary	2025-09-05 - 11:32	myriam Rodrigues	→ FD in progress	TM Tim Morris
MOS-S-19	Field rotation, velocity and acceleration outside science tracking	High Level Electronics and Instrument Control System 50000	Performance	Mechanical	2025-09-05 - 11:32	API Rest	→ FD in progress	TM Tim Morris
MOS-S-21	Network infrastructure for GLAO	High Level Electronics and Instrument Control System 50000	f(+) Functional	Control	2025-09-05 - 11:32	myriam Rodrigues	→ FD in progress	TM Tim Morris
MOS-S-36	Peak glycol-mix budget EICS	High Level Electronics and Instrument Control System 50000	↔ Physical constraint	Glycol consumption	2026-01-15 - 16:34	Marie Larrieu	→ FD in progress	ML Marie Larrieu
MOS-S-41	Average Normal power budget EICS-HL	High Level Electronics and Instrument Control System 50000	↔ Physical constraint	Power consumption	2026-04-15 - 09:30	Marie Larrieu	→ FD in progress	ML Marie Larrieu
MOS-S-46	Peak Normal power budget EICS-HL	High Level Electronics and Instrument Control System 50000	↔ Physical constraint	Power consumption	2025-12-10 - 17:36	Marie Larrieu	→ FD in progress	ML Marie Larrieu
MOS-S-51	Average Safety power budget EICS	High Level Electronics and Instrument Control System 50000	↔ Physical constraint	Power consumption	2025-12-11 - 10:10	Marie Larrieu	→ FD in progress	ML Marie Larrieu
MOS-S-60	Average Normal Computer Room power budget EICS	High Level Electronics and Instrument Control System 50000	↔ Physical constraint	Power consumption	2025-09-05 - 11:32	Marie Larrieu	→ FD in progress	ML Marie Larrieu
MOS-S-65	Peak Normal Computer Room power budget EICS	High Level Electronics and Instrument Control System 50000	↔ Physical constraint	Power consumption	2025-09-05 - 11:32	Marie Larrieu	→ FD in progress	ML Marie Larrieu
MOS-S-70	Average glycol-mix budget	High Level Electronics and Instrument Control System 50000	↔ Physical constraint	Glycol consumption	2026-01-15 - 16:46	Marie Larrieu	→ FD in progress	ML Marie Larrieu

At the bottom of the table, there is a pagination bar showing '1 - 20 of 610 items' and a dropdown menu for 'items per page'.

Road to PDR

The Mosaic PDR is currently foreseen for early 2028, but a system review for the EICS should occur in Q2 2027

Work is underway to identify, in particular for what concern OCS:

- all the network interfaces (protocols, data formats)
- the additional FITS keywords (and the source of the related information)
- control loops and related algorithms
- sampling frequency of all parameters
- etc...

PLC Integration

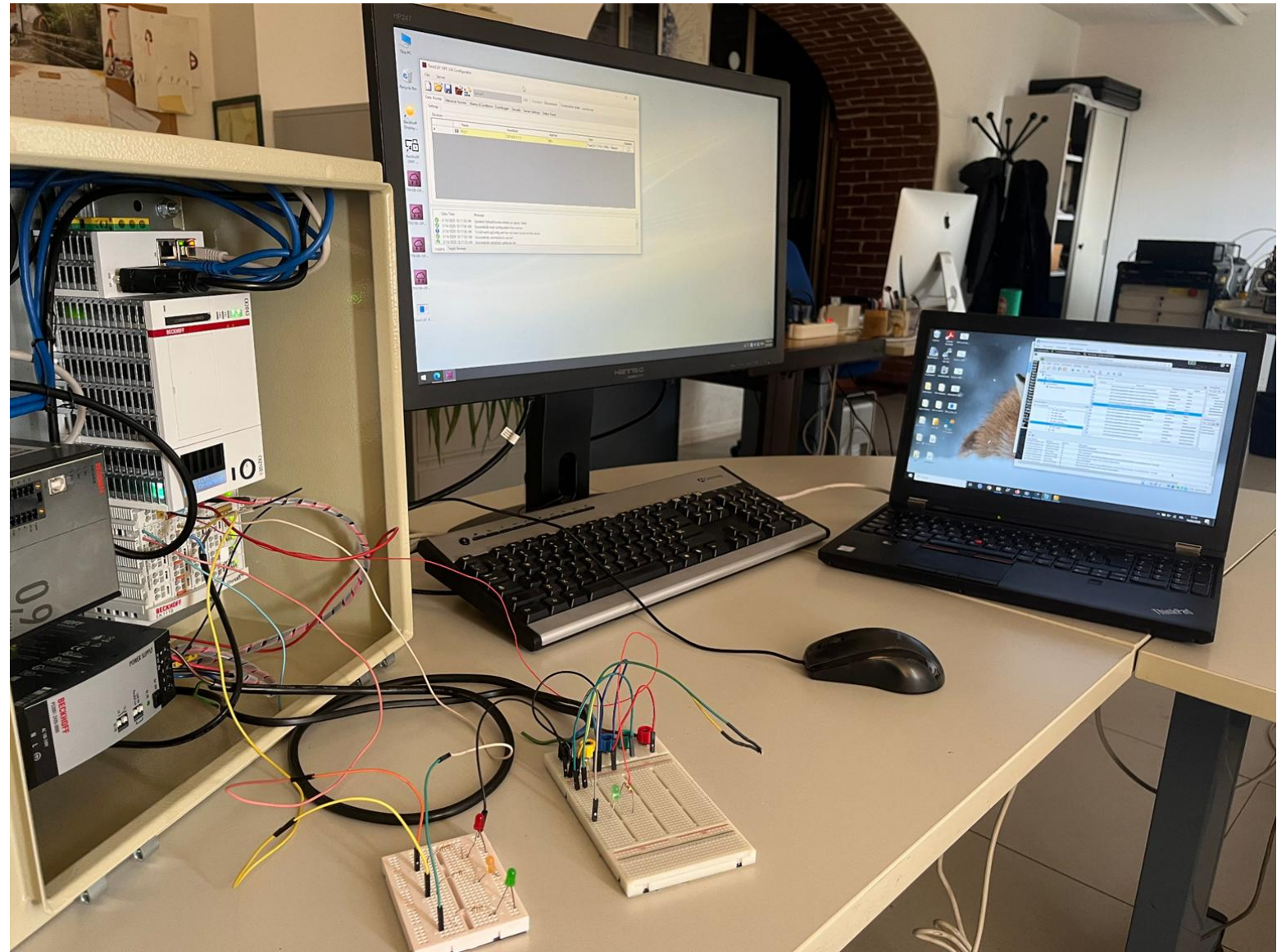
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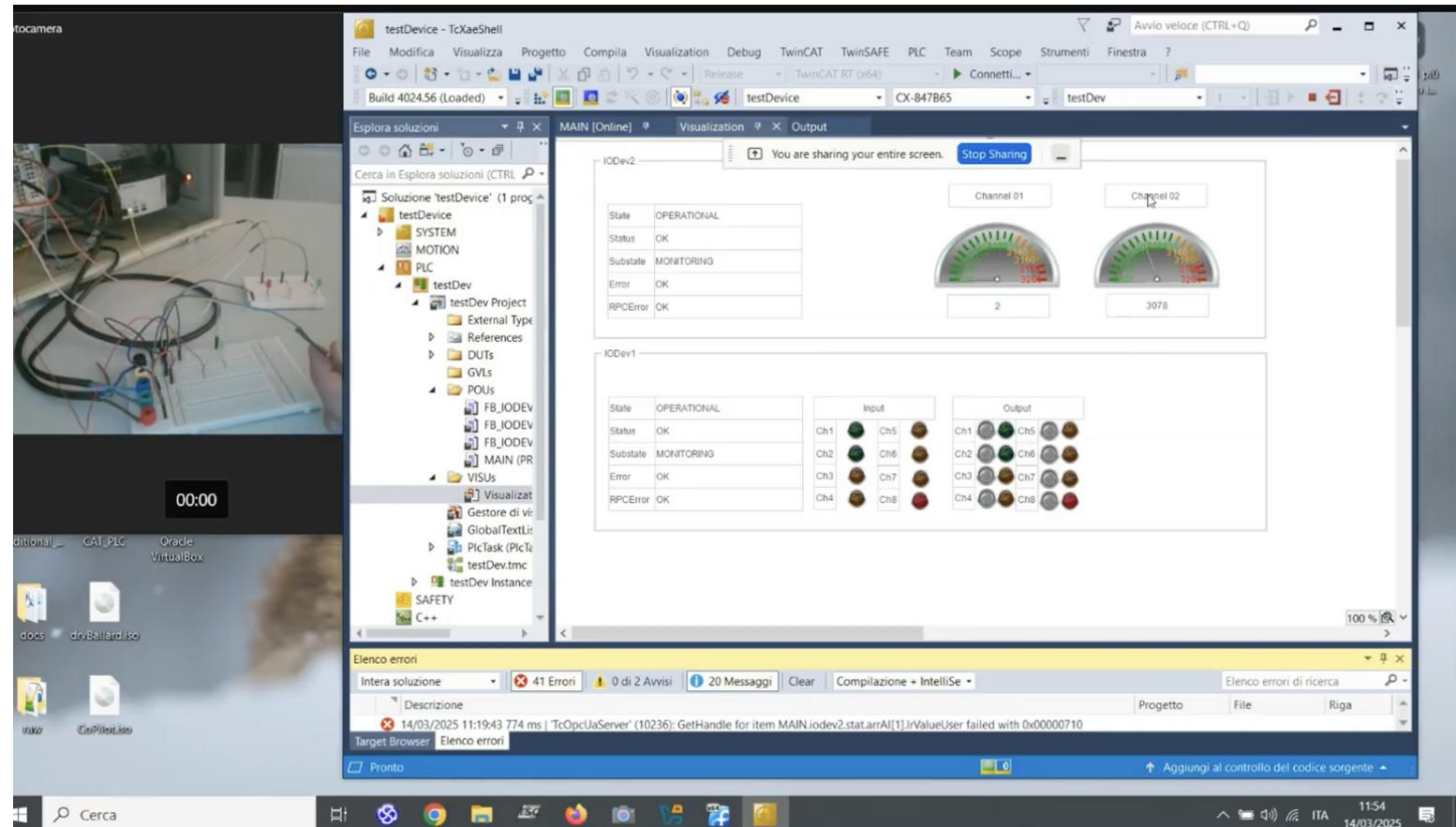
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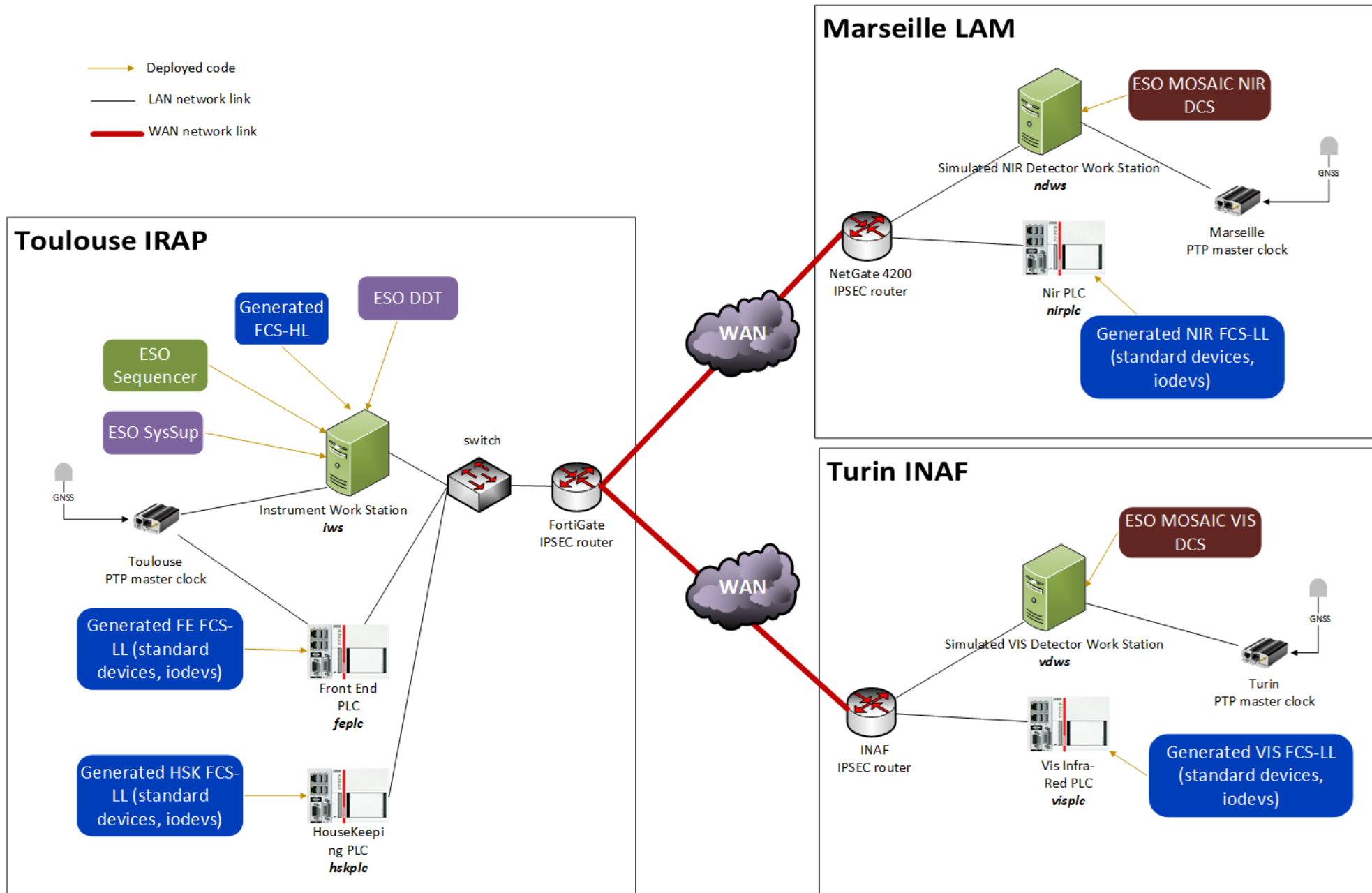


Framework ESO

The default structure when creating a new project in the IFW is the MICADO example. To be able to start a clean implementation with real devices, we removed the simulators from the structure. In order to do this:

- We started from the MICADO example to have the ESO infrastructure.
- We removed all devices that are not present on our PLC, including the simulators.
- To configure the devices with only generic input/output, we preferred to modify the mapping/iodev.yaml inside the framework, rather than creating a new device. We needed 8 digital I/Os.
- We configured the project using the devices by modifying the part of the fcs/server/cfg.yaml.
- We updated the Nomad and Consul services, considering that we removed the simulator part, and we also changed the startup.py file that is launched in the sequencer to start the instrument
- We defined our devices in the devmgr folder (one file for each device).
- We also configured the OLDB in config/oldb.yaml.

Remote integration experiment



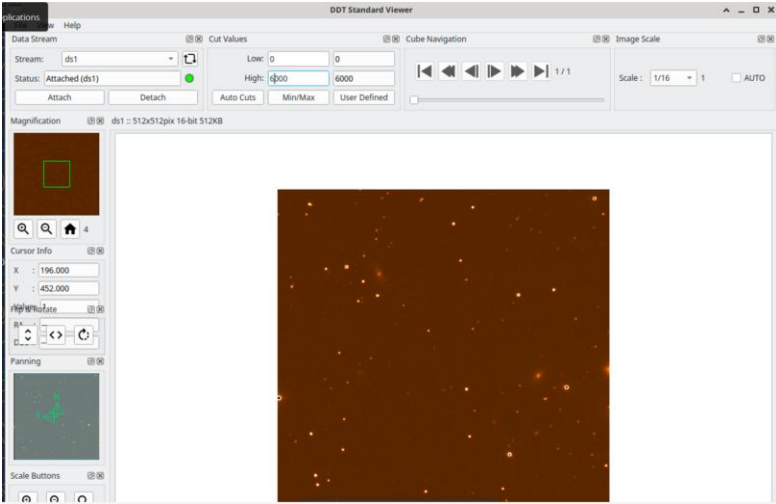
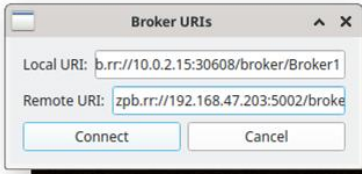
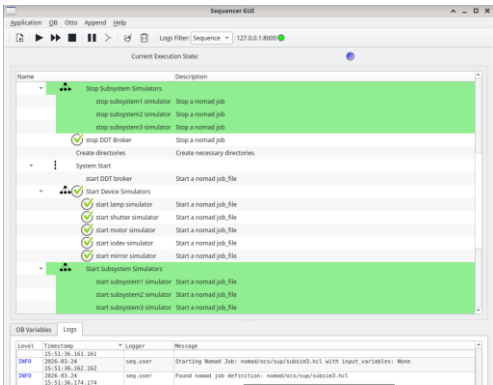
Remote operations on NGCII Simulated system

LOCAL PC
Local Broker → Publisher

REMOTE PC
Remote Broker → Subscriber → Viewer

ddtBroker → communication manager
ddtPublisherSimulator → data transmitter
ddtSubscriberSimulator → data receiver
ddtViewer → image visualization

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[eltdev@elthost ~]$ ddtSubscriberSimulator -b zpb.rr://10.0.2.15:30608/broker/Broker1 --remote zpb.rr://192.168.47.203:5002
--datastream ds1 -mode 1 --dump_data 1 --dump_folder /home_local/eltdev/test/ --debug
Logging properties exist: /elt/ddt/resource/config/log4plus_ddtsubscribersimulator.properties
Debug triggered.
2026-03-24T15:41:21.179 DEBUG DdtSubscriberSimulator - DdtDataSubscriber: config file: /elt/ddt/resource/config/datatransfe
rLib.ini
2026-03-24T15:41:21.181 DEBUG DdtSubscriberSimulator - max age data sample [ms]: 10000
2026-03-24T15:41:21.181 DEBUG DdtSubscriberSimulator - reply time for MAL clients [s]: 6
2026-03-24T15:41:21.182 INFO DdtSubscriberSimulator - DdtDataSubscriber: Broker URI: zpb.rr://10.0.2.15:30608/broker/Broke
r1
2026-03-24T15:41:21.182 INFO DdtSubscriberSimulator - DdtDataSubscriber: Remote Broker URI: zpb.rr://192.168.47.203:5002/b
roker/Broker1
2026-03-24T15:41:21.243 DEBUG DdtSubscriberSimulator - DdtStatisticsClient: Broker connection established
2026-03-24T15:41:21.263 DEBUG DdtSubscriberSimulator - DdtDataTransferLib: Broker connection established
2026-03-24T15:41:21.389 DEBUG DdtSubscriberSimulator - DdtDataSubscriber parameters:
2026-03-24T15:41:21.389 DEBUG DdtSubscriberSimulator - subscriber uuid: a46800f1-4010-459c-8bbe-cc4f9df31b4c
2026-03-24T15:41:21.389 DEBUG DdtSubscriberSimulator - data_stream_identifier: ds1
2026-03-24T15:41:21.389 DEBUG DdtSubscriberSimulator - remote_broker_uri: zpb.rr://192.168.47.203:5002/broker/Broker1
2026-03-24T15:41:21.389 DEBUG DdtSubscriberSimulator - latency [ms]: 10000
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TETIS contribution



TETIS is a Coordination Unit within the INAF UTG-I OptNIR Division. It is meant as an instrument to improve coordination between INAF on the technologies used for control SW on Ground-based as well as space telescopes and instruments.

In the framework of our contribution to Mosaic, TETIS funded one course on Beckhoff PLC programming and usage, with an additional one planned for the autumn of 2026.

Our team (in particular V. Capobianco and M. Carnerero) have attended the first course and it has been particularly precious.

Further information on TETIS is available at

<https://tetis.inaf.it>