



International LOFAR Telescope

LV614 (Leland)
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The International LOFAR telescope is the world's most powerful very-low-frequency and long-baseline radio interferometer until at least 2030.

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Station LV614 (Lëtland)
Irbene, nabij Ventspils

"The making of": an International LOFAR station

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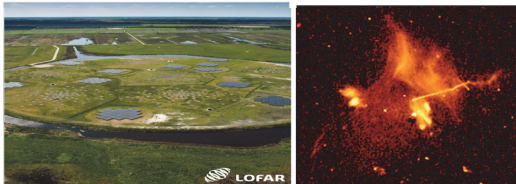


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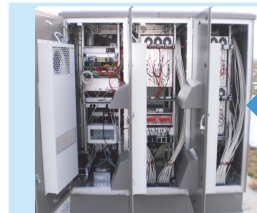
LOFAR 2.0: Extra functionaliteit, nieuwe hardware



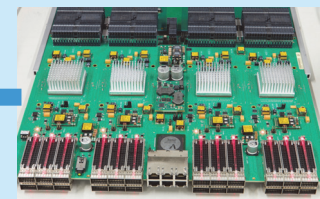
Development	Production	Roll-out	Commissioning	Operations
Q3 2018	Q3 2021	Q4 2022	Q2 2023	Q4 2023



- Hogere efficiency, betere callibratie, simultaan inzet LBA en HBA antennes
- CDR: Q2 2021
- Roll-out voltooid: 2022 (Nederlandse stations)
- Fase-1:
 - Vervanging van stations electronica
 - Subracks (RCU, RSP, TBB)
 - Clock distributie
 - Monitoring and control software
 - LBA calibration pipeline



39x NL LOFAR Cabinet
14x International ILT-container



UniBoard2 FPGA Processing Platform
• Data throughput: 3 Tera bit per second (Tbps)
• Processing capability: 5 Tera MAC/s



Low-noise amplifier High Band Antenna:
LOFAR nu: 50.688 stuks

Applicatie:
Space weather = 24/7

Vraagt **2x zoveel** electronica !
(en bekabeling)

Key:

- ✓ Samenwerking met industriële partners tijdens R&D fase
- ✓ Sterke(re) positie in roll-out fase (aanbesteding)

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