

## **Precision engineering**

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## Precision engineering for the Einstein Telescope





# Brief general information on ET Nik hef



## ETpathfinder facility Maastricht



- <u>https://www.etpathfinder.eu/research/</u>
- Design document
- Clean room 20 x 30 m (ISO 14644-1 class 8)
- UHV Vacuum facility
- Cooling to 120 K and 15 K







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## **ETpathfinder challenges**



- Testing new mirror material: Silicon crystalline semi-conductor
- Testing mirrors at low temperature 120 K and 15 K
- Testing new lasers at 1550 2100 nm
- Testing vibration reduction
- Component cleaning
- Sensors, actuators







# Einstein Telescope



#### **ET2SMEs project**

- Precision Mechanics and Mechatronics
- Vibration isolation systems for stringent conditions (ultra-high vacuum, cryogenic)
- Need for displacement sensors, actuators, blades, suspension wires, inertial sensors
- Very clean components (impurities allowed) and very strict cleaning procedures
- Limited amount of materials (e.g. margin) available
- Catalogue of required technologies:
  <u>https://et2smes.eu/et-technologies-catalogue/</u>

## **Collaboration opportunities**



- 1. Next 2 5 years
  - R&D and bringing parts to higher TRL level
  - Silicon mirrors as thick as passible 15 60 CM diameter and thickness.
  - Materials, coatings, support system, vacuum connection
- 2. 5-10+ years prepare for prototype phase and larger orders.
  - Possibilities for quality checking, coating, handling
  - Show you can do better than us.

More information in parallel workshop



#### www.etpathfinder.eu

#### SRON's New Building in Leiden en Groningen









### SRON heritage on precision engineering

- High accuracy (infra-red)Optical lenses (e.g. Veldlaser)
- Optical gratings for Sentinal 5 (e.g. Phillips, VDL)
- Optical module for SPEX-one (TNO, Airbus)
- Xray Camera chips mounting, and gluing (Neways)
- Many other examples of Space instrumentation





Immersed grating on inspection disk



Immersed

Grating in

housing

mechanical



Grating in storage container



#### New building => new eco-system

- The move to Leiden is one element of the SRON strategy to become a bigger part of the space related environment around "South Holland"
  - Space Campus Noordwijk
  - Leidse Instrument makers school (LIS)
  - Leiden Institute of Advanced Computer Science (LIACS)

• We are also open to look for Public Privat Partnership to share our heritage and give a boost to companies in participating in Big Science (tenders)



#### Some facilities



optical



mechanical

SRON



electronics



Integration in cleanroom

# Netherlands Research School for Astronomy

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# Observatories

#### William Herschel Telescope

#### James Webb Space Telescope

**ESO Very Large Telescope** 

ESO Extremely Large Telescope

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# **Optical Infrared Instrumentation**









### **Cleanroom Integration and Assembly**



## Manufacturing and Testing Optics: single nm accuracy



## Mechanical Manufacturing: single um accuracy





150mm Interferometer

Spectral 200nm-30µm

20 Kelvin or lower

cryogenic opto-mechanical tests