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# Detector Development strategy at European XFEL

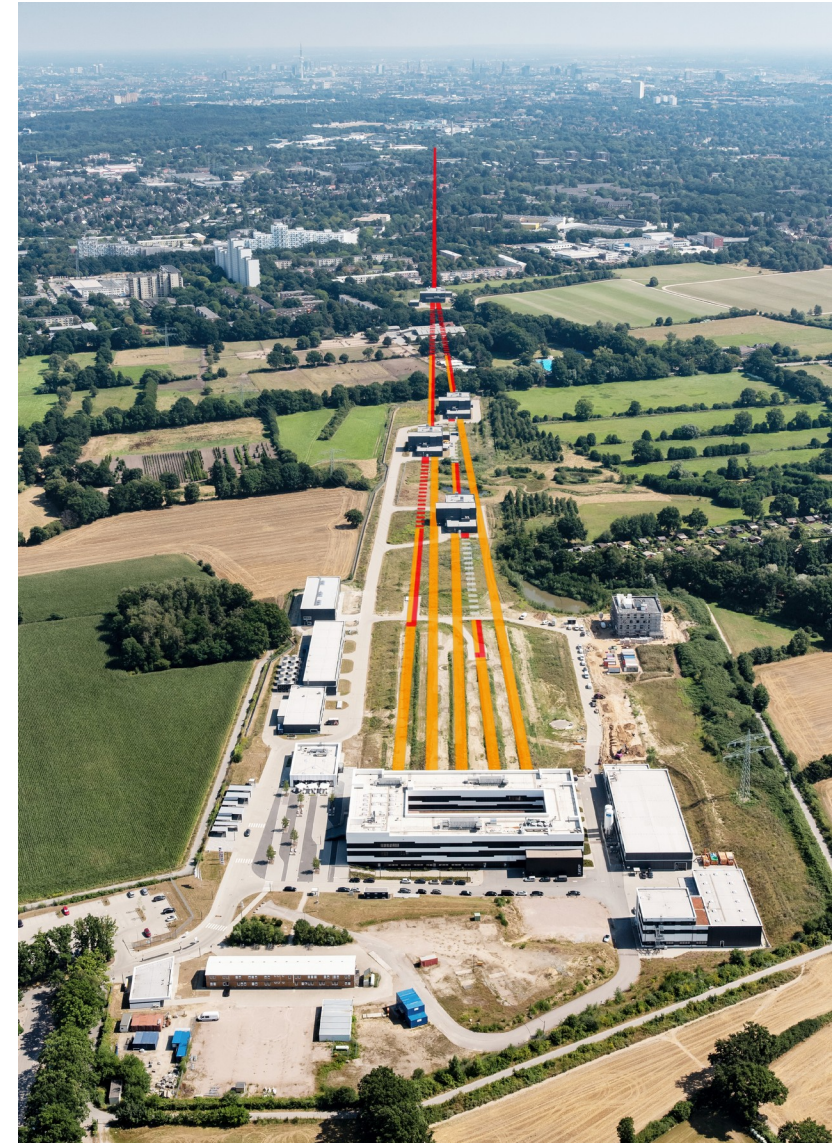


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# Outline

- Future detectors requirements
- Timeline and topics for development
- How we plan to be involved



# Detectors for EuXFEL

Hard  
X-rays  
6-25 keV

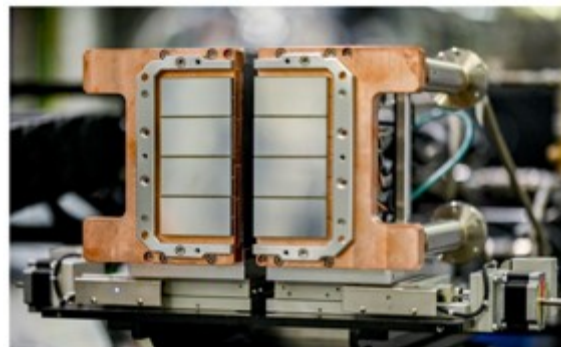
X-ray  
energy

Soft  
X-rays  
0.5-3 keV

Noise: 50 e<sup>-</sup> (HG)  
Dyn range: 100 8 keV ph



**ePix100 (MID, HED)**



**Jungfrau x 17 (all hard X-ray inst.)**

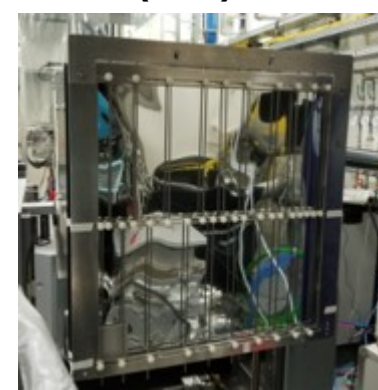
Noise: 80 e<sup>-</sup> (HG)  
Dyn range: 10<sup>4</sup> 12 keV ph

**AGIPD (SPB/SFX, MID)**



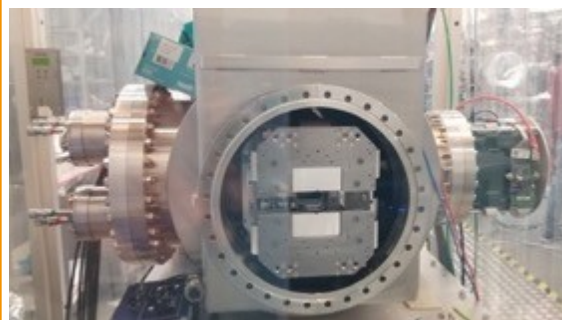
Noise: 350 e<sup>-</sup> (HG)  
Dyn range: 10<sup>4</sup> 12 keV ph

**LPD (FXE)**



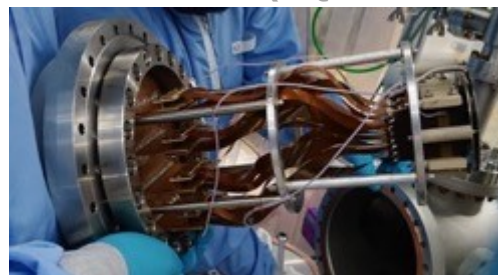
Noise: 2010 e<sup>-</sup> (HG)  
Dyn range: 10<sup>5</sup> 12 keV ph

**pnCCD (SQS)**



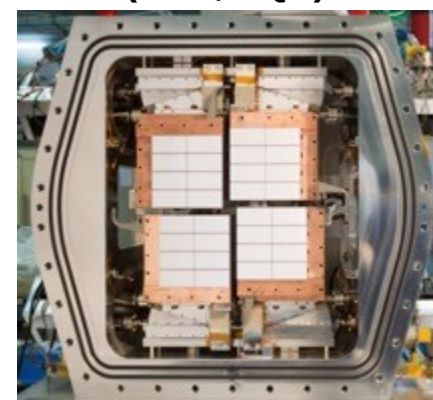
Noise: 3 e<sup>-</sup>  
Dyn range: 1500-3000 1 keV ph

**MCP + DLD (SQS, 2x SCS)**



Single ph. sensitivity down to few  
hundred eV  
Up to 50-60 ph/pulse

**DSSC (SCS, SQS)**



Noise: 60 e<sup>-</sup>  
Dyn range:  
N x 256 ph @ 4.5 Mhz –  
N x 512 @ f ≤ 2.2 Mhz  
N ≤ 1 for single ph sens.

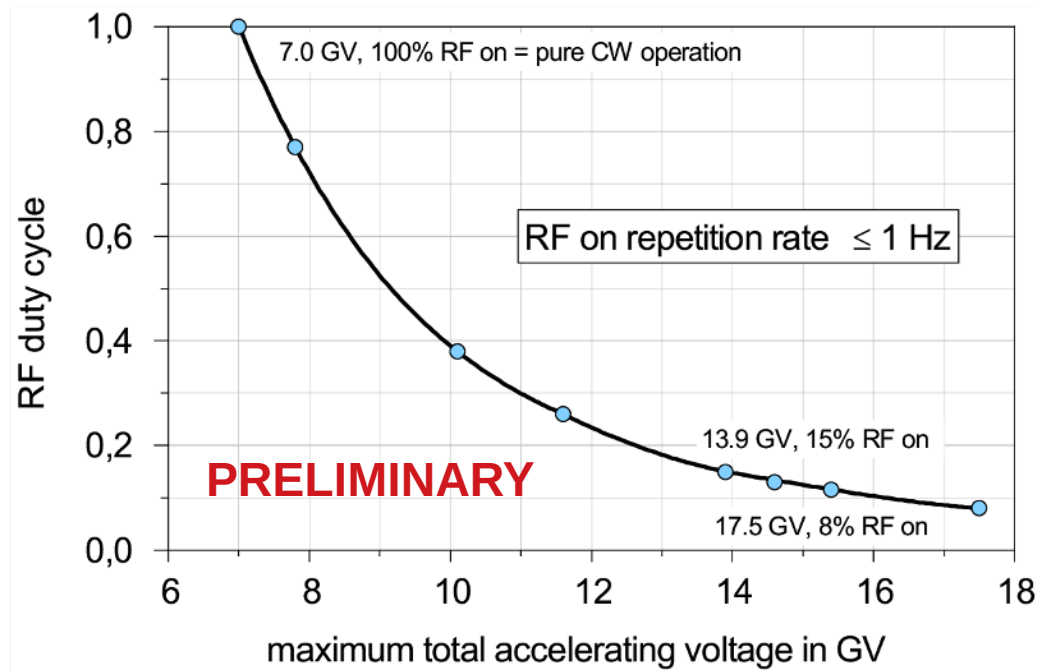
10 Hz

4.5 MHz

Rate

## Facility developments: new time structure

### Time structure not yet defined, some options under consideration



- Without major accelerator modifications
  - CW mode implies a max electron energy of 7 GeV (with respect to the 17.5 GeV of now)
  - energy can be gained by running in high duty-cycle mode, when RF is on for a fraction of time (the present burst mode corresponds to a duty cycle of 0.006)
- This choice impacts dramatically on detector design

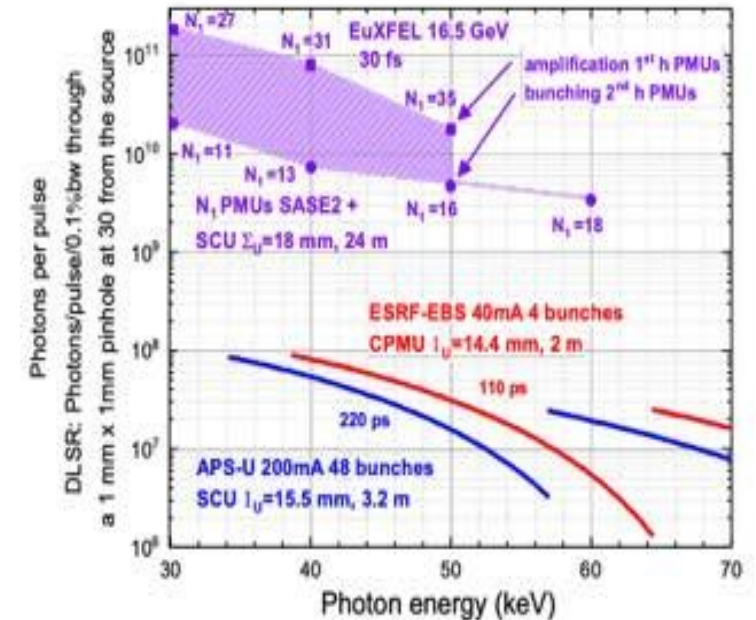
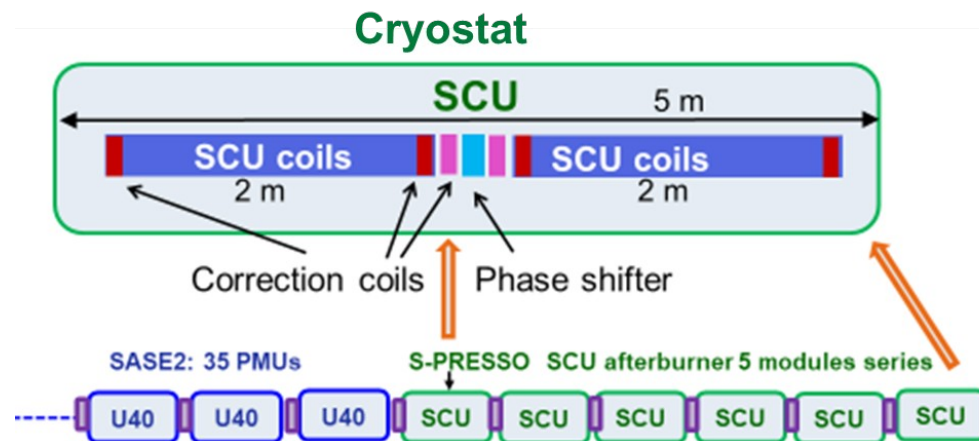
*Thanks to the accelerator team, in particular J. Sekutowicz and E. Vogel*



## Facility developments: SCU system

- Electron beam energy > 16.5 GeV
- Estimated range of photons per pulse achievable by tuning the SCU afterburner to amplify
  - the output of the fundamental of the PMUs
  - the bunching of the second harmonic of the PMUs
- Peak flux ~100 x higher than HE diffraction-limited SR sources
- Large dynamic range detectors needed!

Normalized emittance	0.4 mm mrad	The simulations do not consider wake fields and tapering. A flat top 3 fs bunch is considered
Initial energy spread	3 MeV	
Current	5 kA	



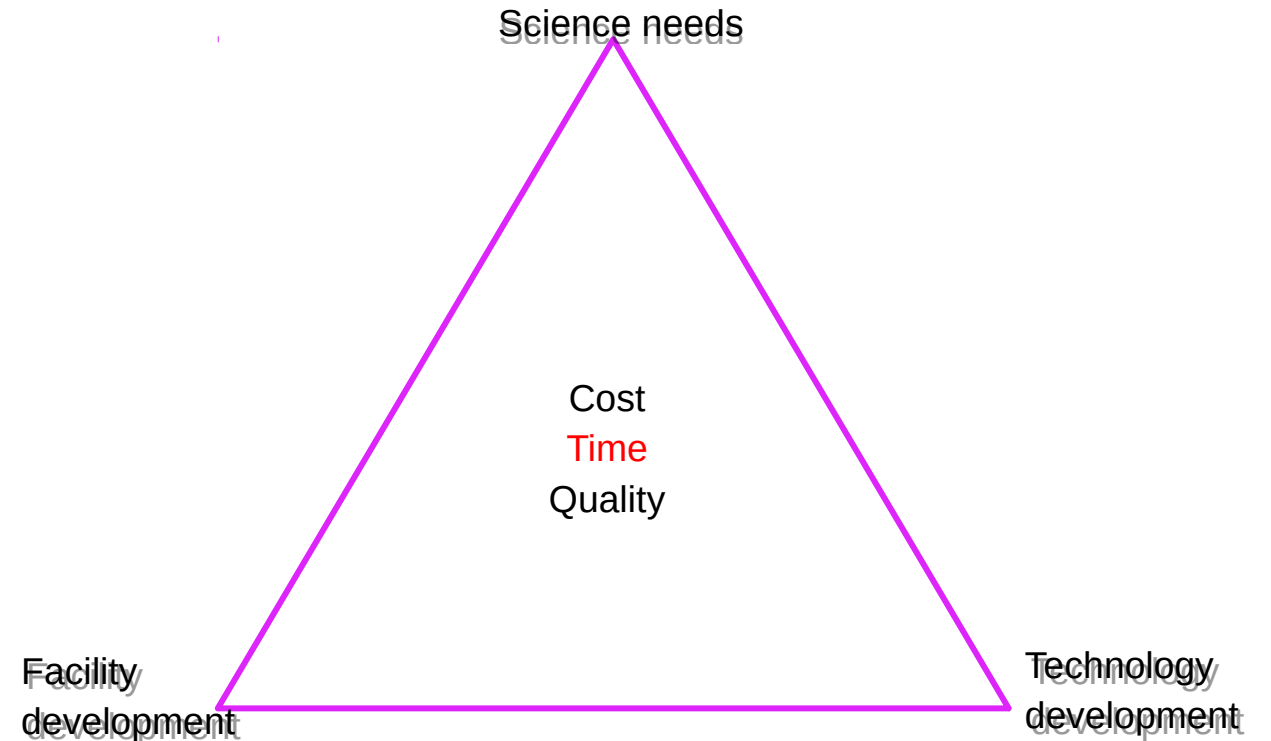
# Preliminary requirements from Scientific Instruments

	Hard X-ray detector	Soft X-ray detector
Parameter	Target values	Target values
Sensitive Energy Range	3-13 keV with Si with high-Z materials	13-50 keV 0.25 - 3 keV, possibly higher
Dynamic range in photons	10 <sup>4</sup> 12 keV ph./pixel	10 <sup>4</sup> 1 keV ph./pixel
Noise (ENC)	< 300 el. rms.	< 30 el. rms.
Frame rate	4.5 MHz burst/long burst/CW?	4.5 MHz burst/long burst/CW?
Sensor type	2D pixelated	2D pixelated,
Pixel size	~ 100 x 100 μm <sup>2</sup>	~100 x 100 μm <sup>2</sup>
Pixel count	Modular detector, min. module size tbd. Able to build up several Mpixel full-size detector	Modular detector, min. module size tbd. Able to build up several Mpixel full-size detector
Number of modules	Tbd, depending on module size	Tbd, depending on module size
Operating pressure range	Ambient or below 10 <sup>-3</sup> mbar	< 10 <sup>-6</sup> mbar

# How to get to the final requirements?

## How do we get to the h/w definition and final requirements?

- Continue to evaluate scientific requirements
  - e.g. dyn. range at high energies
- Max repetition rate:
  - MHz rate is a must, continuous operation is not
  - duty cycle will be a machine parameter
- Fully integrate lessons learned from first systems in the new developments
  - Avoid multiple standards
  - Modular detectors
  - ...



# Detector development

2023      Phase I – R&D      2026

Phase II – Development and Production      2030

**Goal: 2nd generation of Large Area Pixel Detectors 2028-2030**

## ■ Phase I 2023 – 2025 (budget established to cover four areas of investigation)

- Investigate candidate technologies
- Work with external partners to establish clear areas of expertise
- Identify areas of strategic collaboration and funding opportunities
- Areas of investigation:
  - ▶ System integration, backend electronics
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  - ▶ High-Z materials
  - ▶ Sensor and ASIC

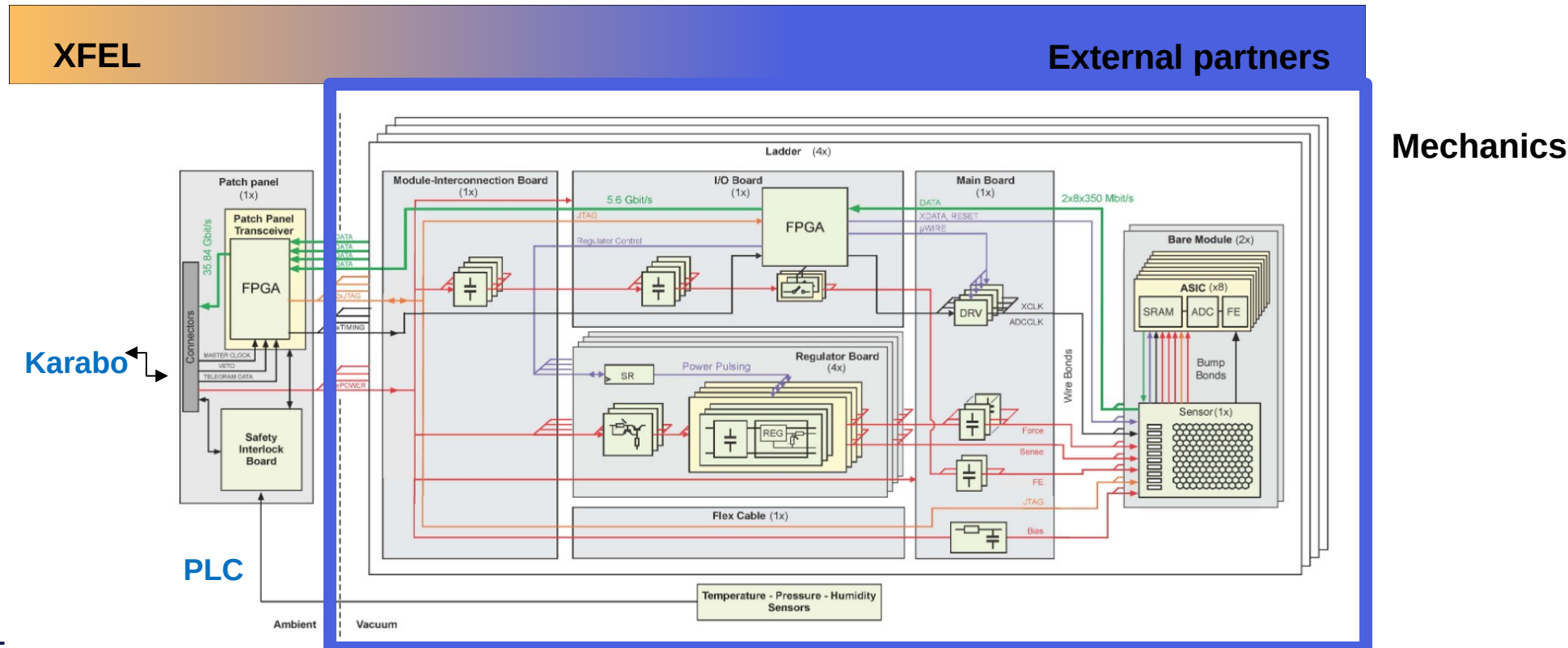
## ■ Phase II 2024 – 2030

- Establish concrete projects to build 2nd Generation detectors
- Prototyping of selected technologies
- Final designs
- Construction and commissioning at Scientific Instruments



## How we plan to be involved

- Our main expertise are in calibration, system integration and some part of mechanics
- Take a leading role concerning mechanics and backend
- Take a more active role for the front-end development (ASIC and sensor)
  - Need to retain know-how in house
    - ▶ Small number of people with overview of the systems developed



## Conclusions

- Detector requirements are being defined
- Detector development funding has been established at the EuXFEL and first steps have been done to allocate it.
- Phase 1 of the development will serve to increase EuXFEL expertise in certain fields and to define collaboration with external partners in specific topics (ASICs, sensors...)

