



ELT-Instrumentation Procurement Webinar

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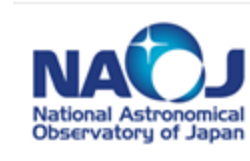
INAF (Leader Institute): Principal Investigator,
Proj. Management, PA/QA, System Engineering,
System AO, AIT/AIV and all the other subsystems
→ 85 % of the FTE from INAF

CNRS France : LGS WFS module

University of Galway Ireland : Test Unit

NRC Victoria - Canada : Hard Real-Time Computer

NAOJ/Kyoto University/Osaka University Japan :
Two Optical elements (Corrective Plate and CU
Folding Mirror)





AO with MORFEO at ELT

✓ MORFEO will provide spatially uniform multi-conjugate adaptive optics (MCAO) correction to MICADO over a large field of view (~ 1 arcmin²)

✓ MORFEO will also support SCAO over a smaller $\sim 10''$ field of view

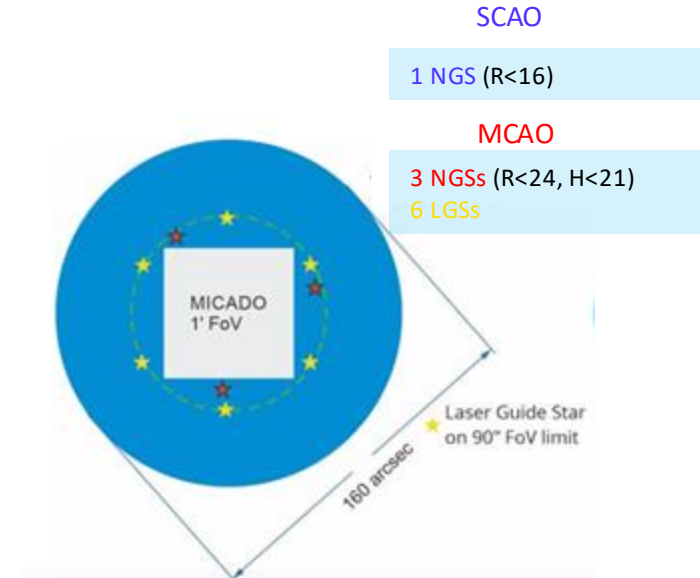


✓ Uniform Strehl Ratio and FWHM over a large field of view

✓ Large sky coverage

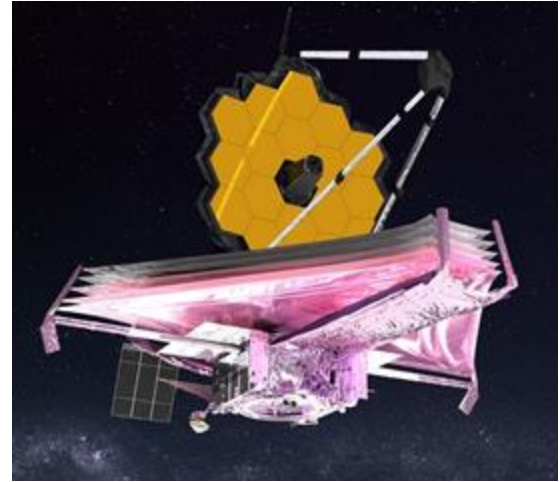
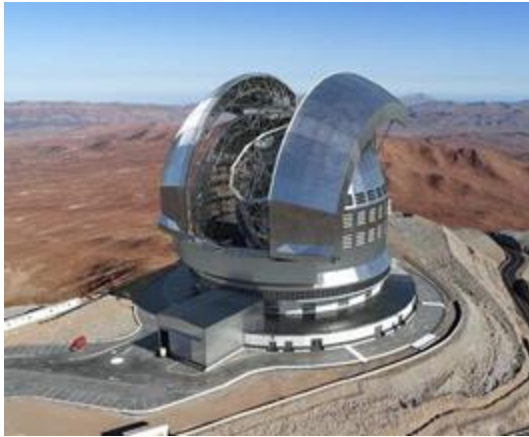


Possibility to address a large variety of science cases based on astrophysical relevance rather than on feasibility criteria





MORFEO+MICADO: resolution in context



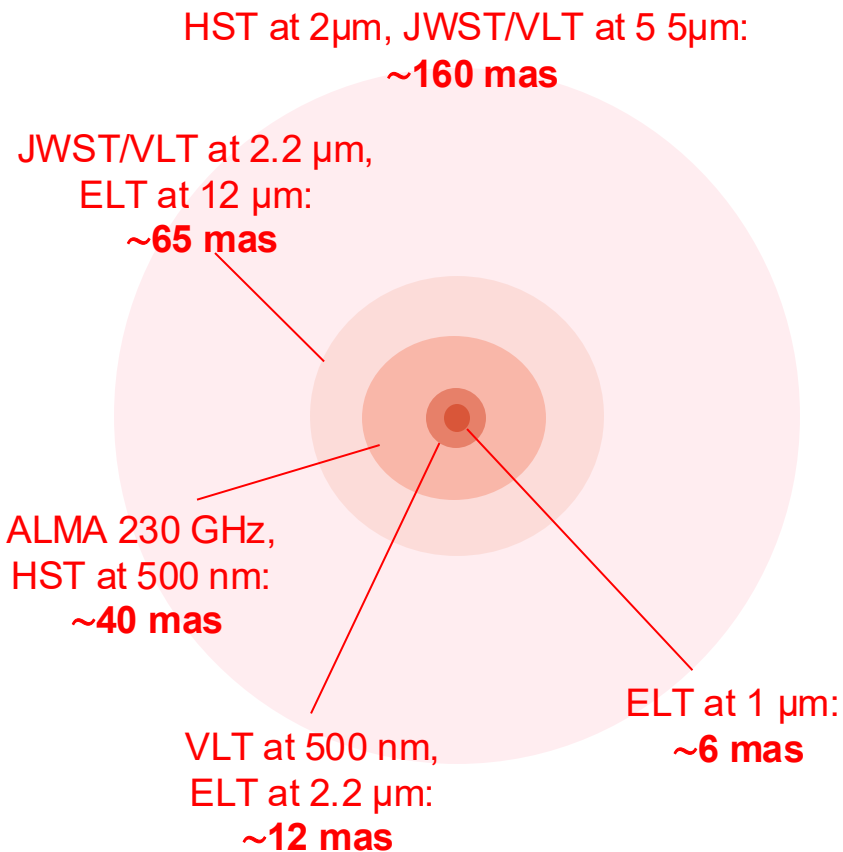


MORFEO+MICADO: resolution in context



10 mas at:

Galactic Center	8 kpc	0.4 mpc
Cen A	4 Mpc	0.2 pc
Virgo Cluster	18 Mpc	1 pc
Cosmic Noon	$z \sim 2$	80 pc

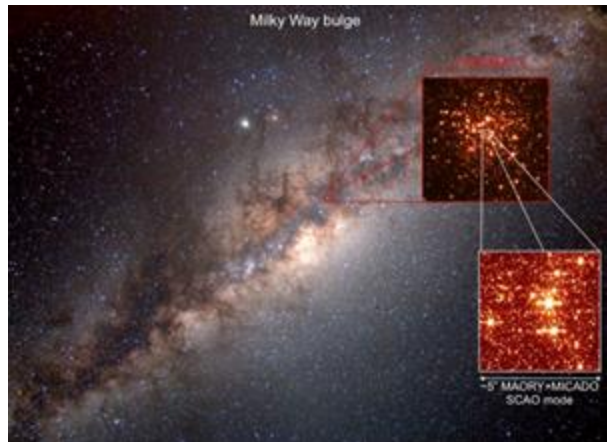


MORFEO MICADO SCIENCE THEMES

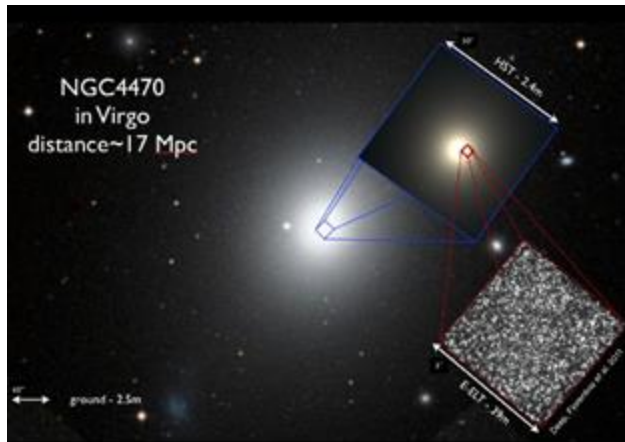
- Potential to address a large number of science topics

- Dynamics of dense stellar systems,
- Black holes in galaxies and the centre of the Milky Way,
- Formation and evolution of galaxies in the early universe,
- Star formation history of galaxies through resolved stellar populations,
- Planets and planet formation,
- The solar system.

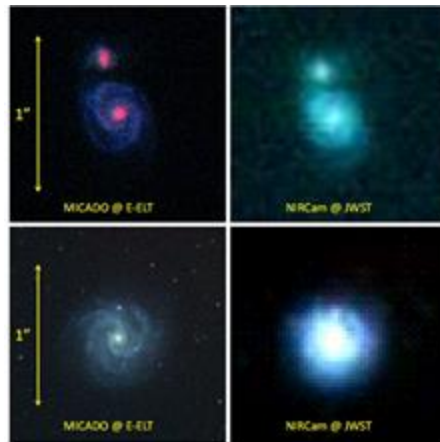
Nearby Stellar System



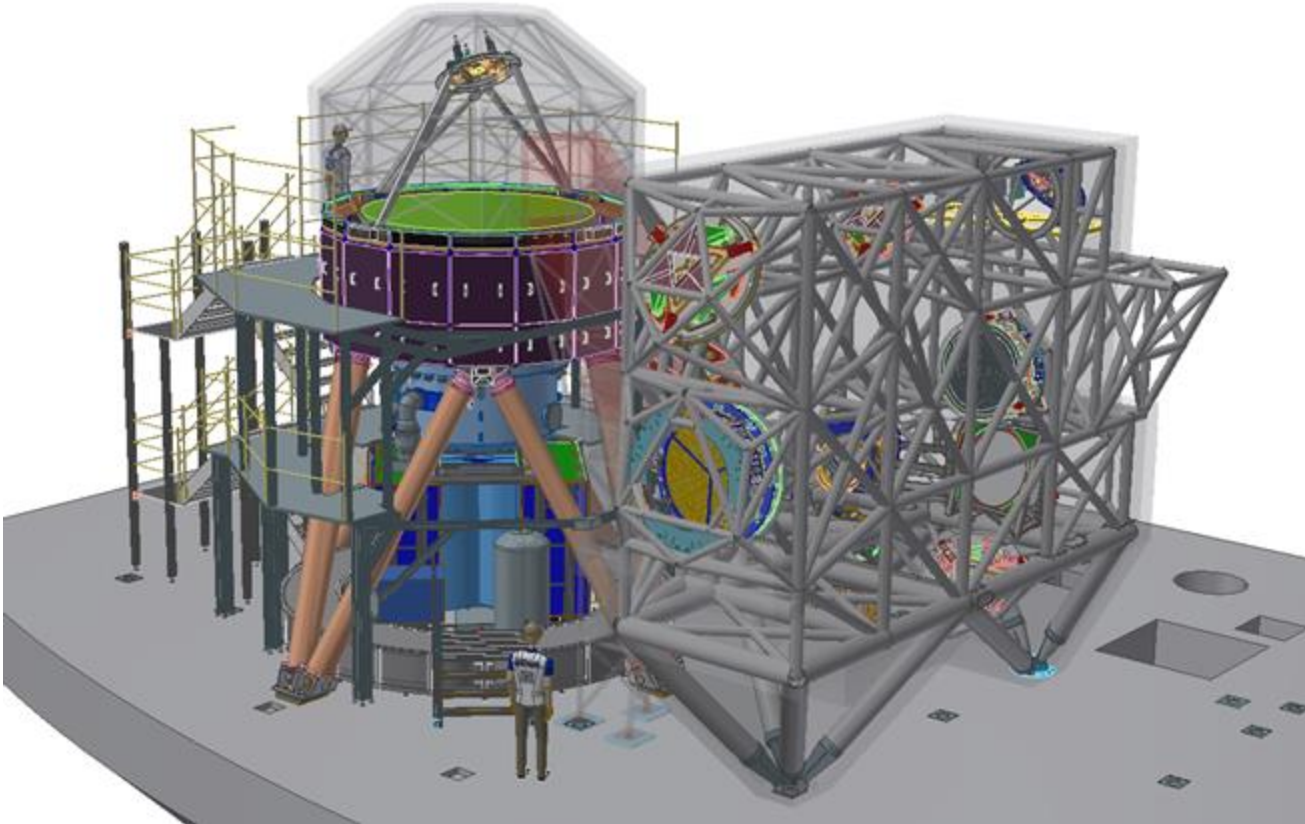
Local Universe



High Redshift Universe



MORFEO Overview

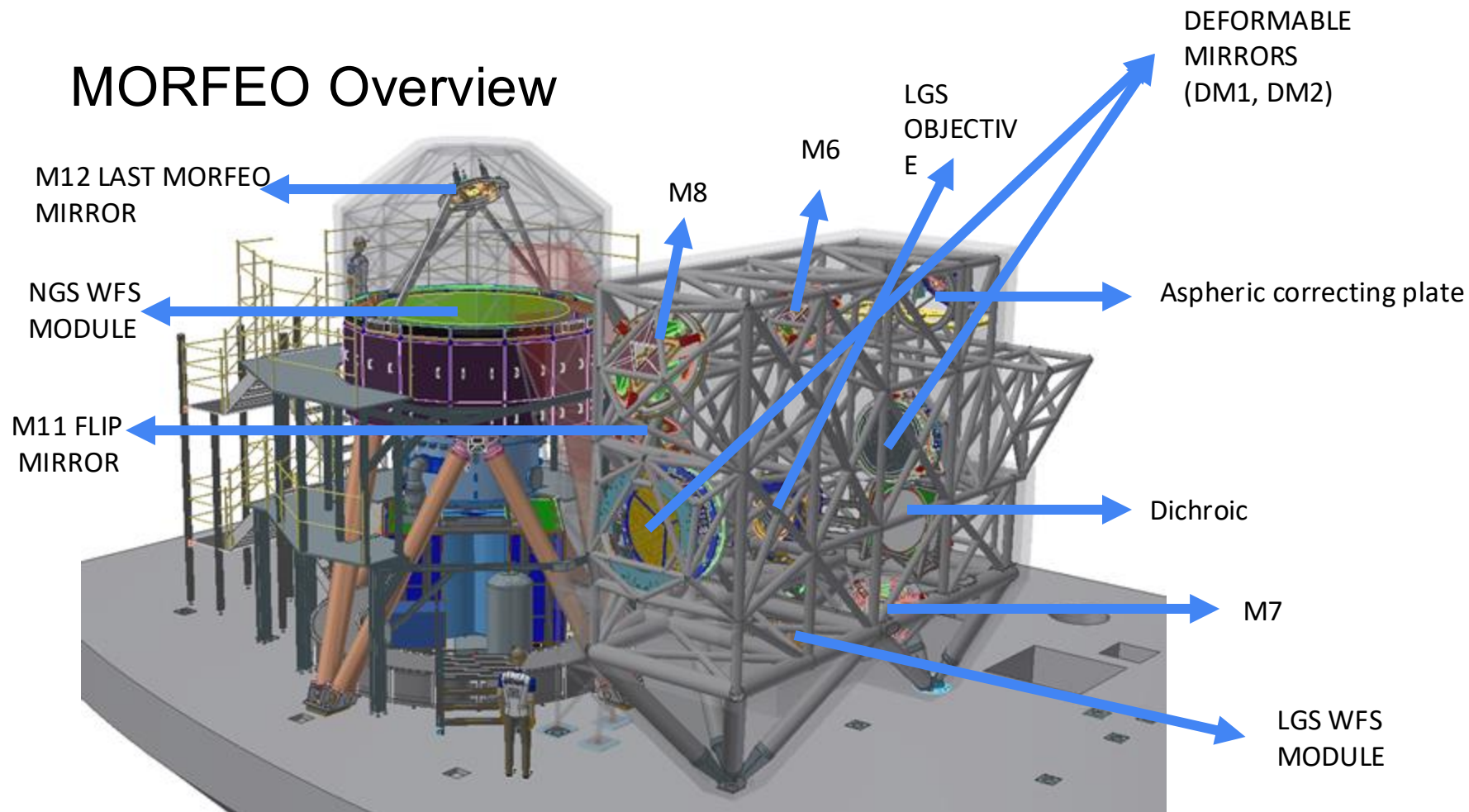


MORFEO will use 9 Guide STARS : 6 LGS and 3 NGS, last generation WFS and 3 DM (including M4) to correct the atmospheric turbulence

We will use 7 big mirrors (2 of which are DM) to bring the photons from the PFS to MICADO

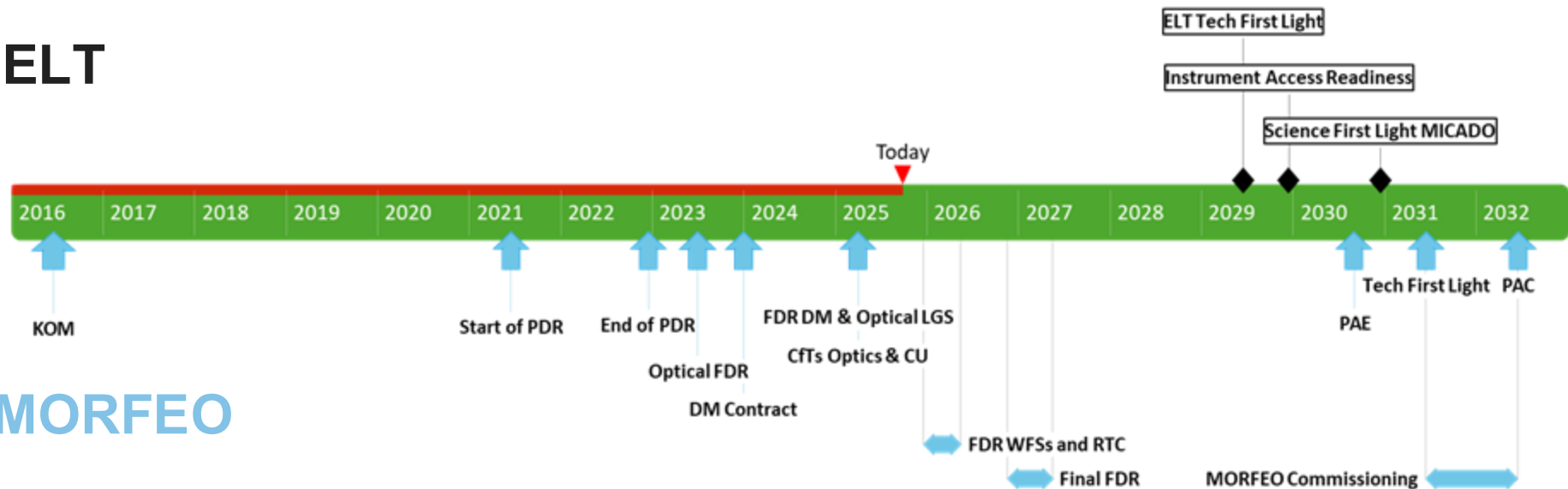
A dichroic in the Mani Optical Path will split the light between the LGS WFS module and the NGS WFS module + Scientific Detectors.

MORFEO Overview



MORFEO Timeline

ELT



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Main Contracts and Procurements

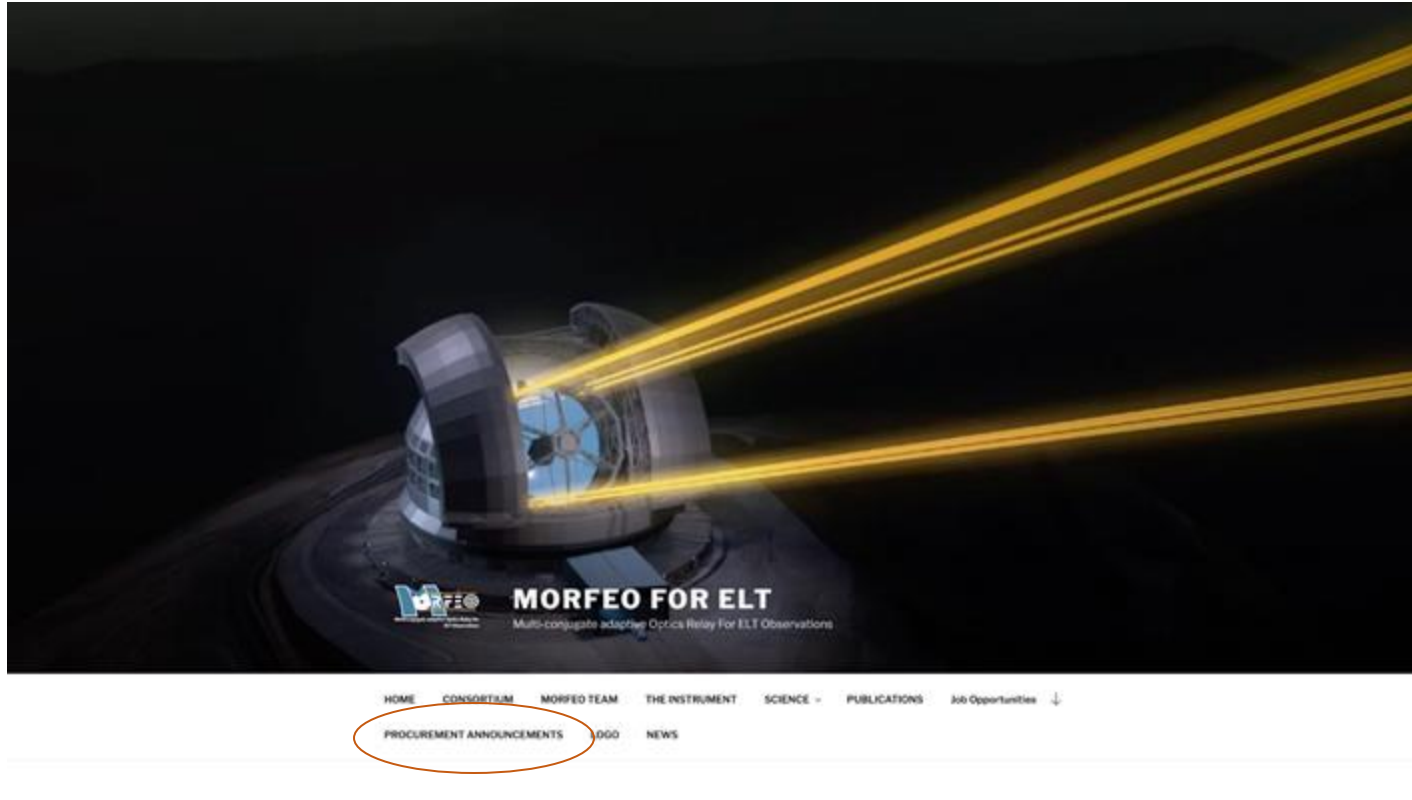
- Deformable Mirrors : Contract signed 29/12/2023 ~ 14.9 M €
- Aspherical Mirrors - Published on 28/3/2025 < 6.0 M €
- CU – Published on 16/5/2025 <2.8 M €

By mid 2026 80-90 % of total cost will be under contract !!!!!

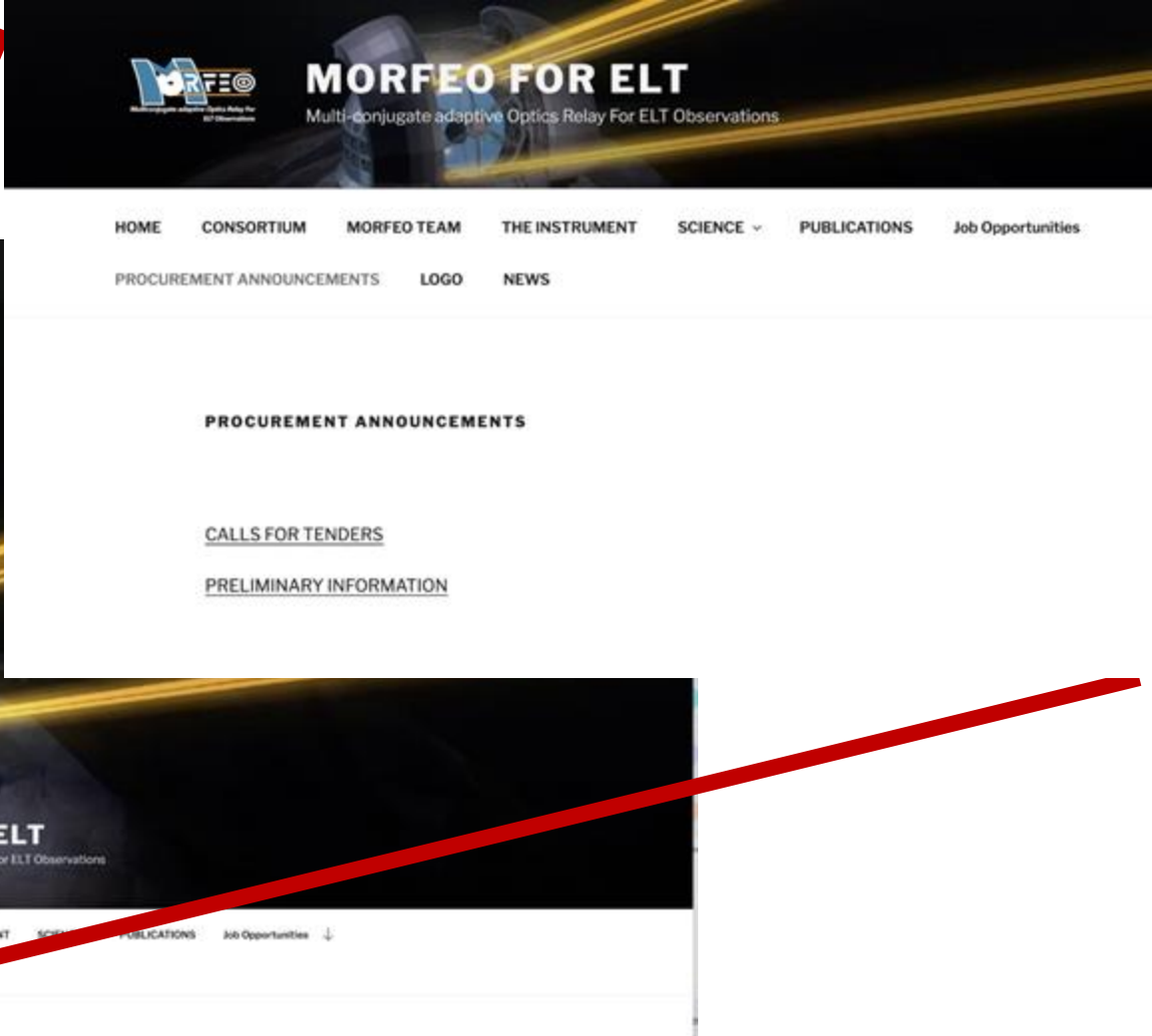
Flat Mirrors/LGS Objective and Main Structure - Call for Tenders under preparation



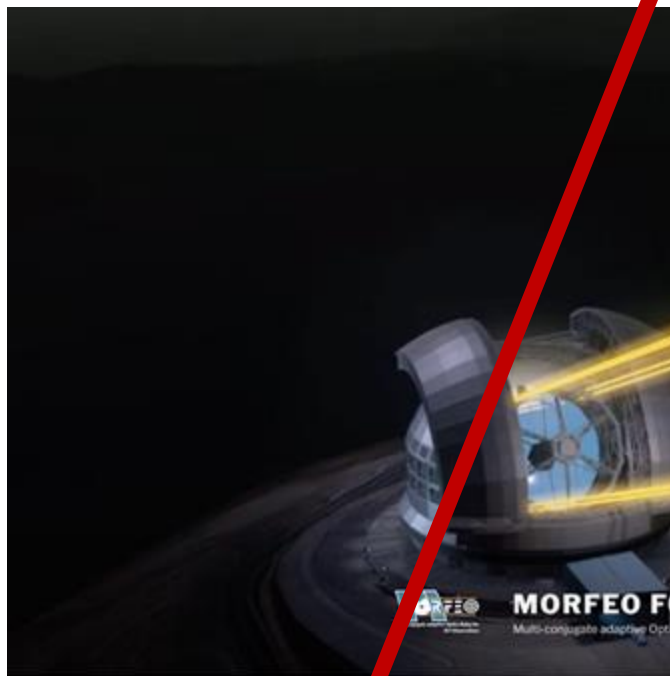
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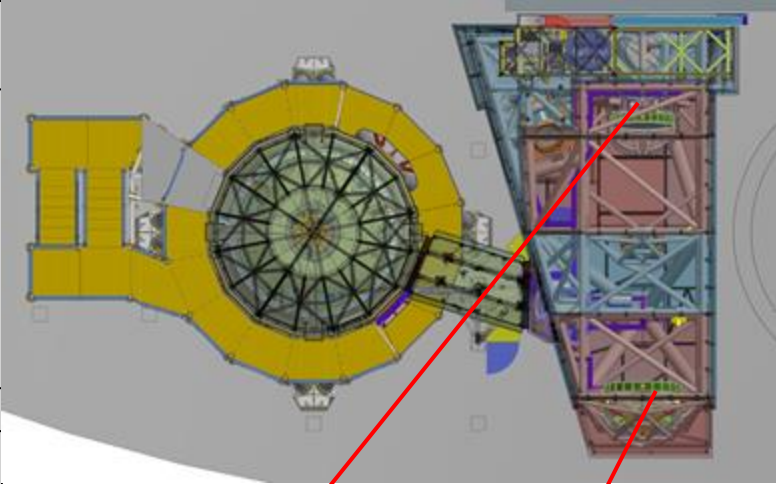
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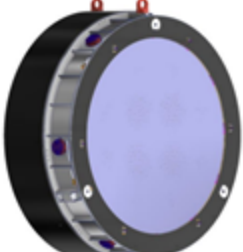
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Procurement #1: Deformable Mirrors DM1 and DM2 (AWARDED)

Location in System	Core of MORFEO MCAO module; post-focal wavefront correction
Main Specifications	- Clear apertures: DM1 ~900 mm (convex), DM2 ~1200 mm (concave), Curvature radius: ~15 m - Coating: High reflectivity 550–2500 nm (Aluminum baseline) - Mass: DM1 ~650 kg, DM2 ~1100 kg - Depth: DM1 ~0.5 m, DM2 ~1 m ≥700 actuators per DM, Response time: ≤2 ms - Residual WFE: <40 nm RMS - Misfigure tolerance: ≤1 arcsec slope
Number of Items	2 deformable mirrors
Planning	Call issued in June 2023 concluded. AWARDED to AdOptica
Procurement Procedure	Competitive tender
Who to Contact	RUP Paolo Ciliegi - INAF OAS (paolo.ciliegi@inaf.it)



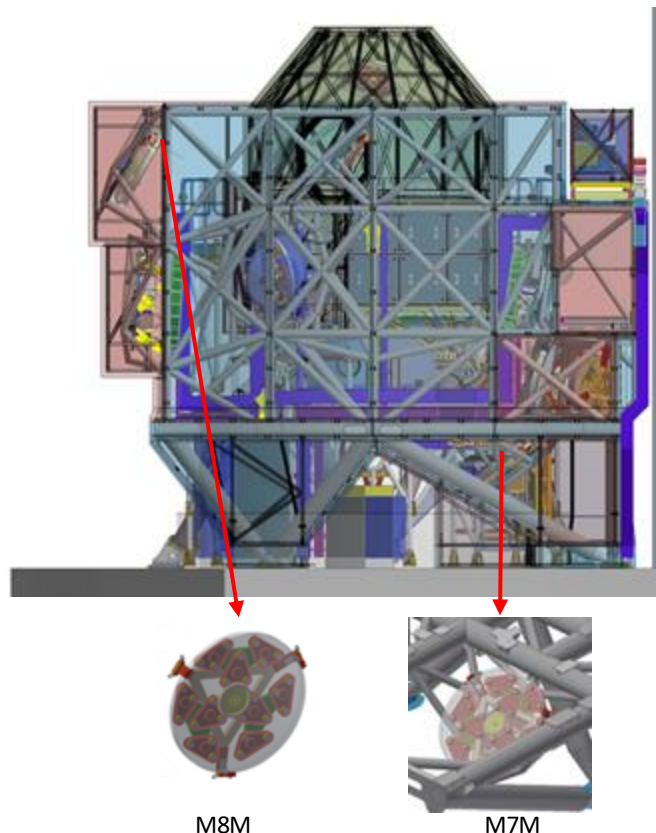
DM2



DM1

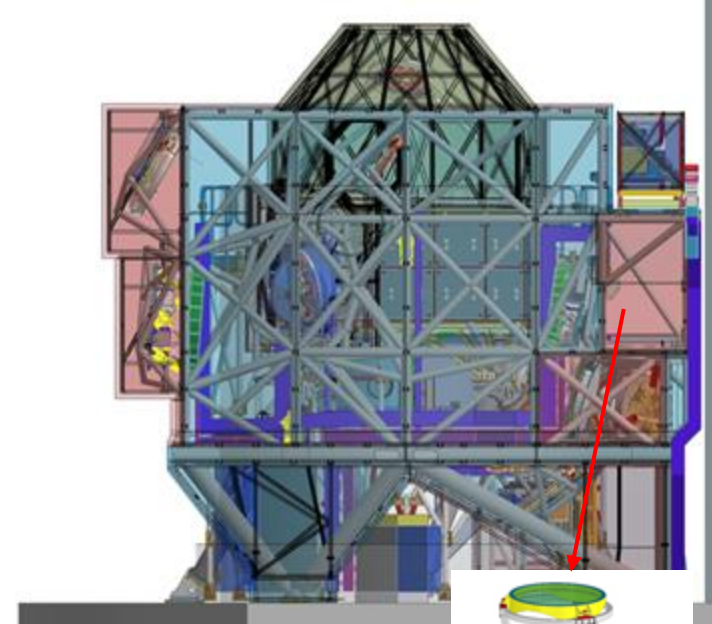
Procurement #2: MORFEO Aspherical Mirrors (M7M & M8M) (CfT CLOSED)

Location in System	MORFEO MCAO module; part of post-focal relay optics
Main Specifications	- Clear apertures: M7M ~1190 mm, M8M ~1230 mm - Curvature radii: M7M ~35 m, M8M ~38.5 m - Substrate: Zerodur or equivalent - Coating: Silver-protected, 550–2500 nm - Mass: M7M ~300 kg, M8M ~320 kg - Depth: 0.2–0.25 m - Eigenfrequency: >21 Hz (goal >31 Hz) - SMR alignment tolerance: Tx/Ty ± 0.5 mm, Tz ± 1 mm, Rx/Ry ± 0.5 arcmin, Rz ± 5 arcmin
Number of Items	2 mirrors (M7M and M8M) + 2 mechanical dummies
Planning	- Call for Tender issued on March 2025 concluded. VERIFICATION PHASE - CONTRACT SIGNATURE EXPECTED IN 1-2 months - Final Design Phase: 6 months from Contract signature - Delivery: 24 months from FDR closure
Procurement Procedure	Competitive tender, single contract for design, manufacturing, integration, and verification
Who to Contact	RUP Matteo Munari - INAF Catania (matteo.munari@inaf.it)
Other Relevant Aspects	- Design + Manufacturing - Delivered to INAF Integration Hall (Bologna) - Includes handling tools, dust covers, and SMR referencing - Compliance with ESO and ELT standards - Verification by test or validated analysis in operational conditions



Procurement #3: Calibration Unit Optomechanics (CfT CLOSED)

Location in System	MORFEO Calibration Unit; supports calibration optics and mechanisms
Main Specifications	13 optical elements incl. dichroics, beam splitters, aspheres, and mirrors - Materials: Fused Silica, Zerodur, S-BSL7, S-NSL36, S-LAL18, S-TIH14 - Coatings: AR <3%, HR >97%, dichroic split @600 nm - Wavelength ranges: 500–1800 nm - Max WFE: <100 nm @589 nm, <60 nm @800/1650 nm (on-axis) - Homogeneity: ≤10 ppm (CBS ≤2 ppm) - Total mass: ≤350 kg; volume: 800×1700×1500 mm³ - Eigenfrequency: >21 Hz (goal >31 Hz) - Earthquake survival: 3.3g in all directions
Number of Items	1 complete fully aligned optomechanical unit + 1 mechanical dummy
Planning	- Call for Tender issued on May 2025 concluded. VERIFICATION PHASE - CONTRACT SIGNATURE EXPECTED IN 1-2 months - Final Design Phase: 10 months from Contract signature - Delivery: 21 months from MAIT Kick-Off
Procurement Procedure	Competitive tender, single contract for design, manufacturing, integration, and verification
Who to Contact	RUP: Gianluca Di Rico – INAF OA d'Abruzzo (gianluca.dirico@inaf.it)
Other Relevant Aspects	- Delivered to INAF OA d'Abruzzo (Teramo). - Includes tools for alignment, handling, and SMR referencing - Must support interchangeable DM and PM components - Test setup optomech included, validated analysis in operating conditions 5 year warranty; ESO standards apply;

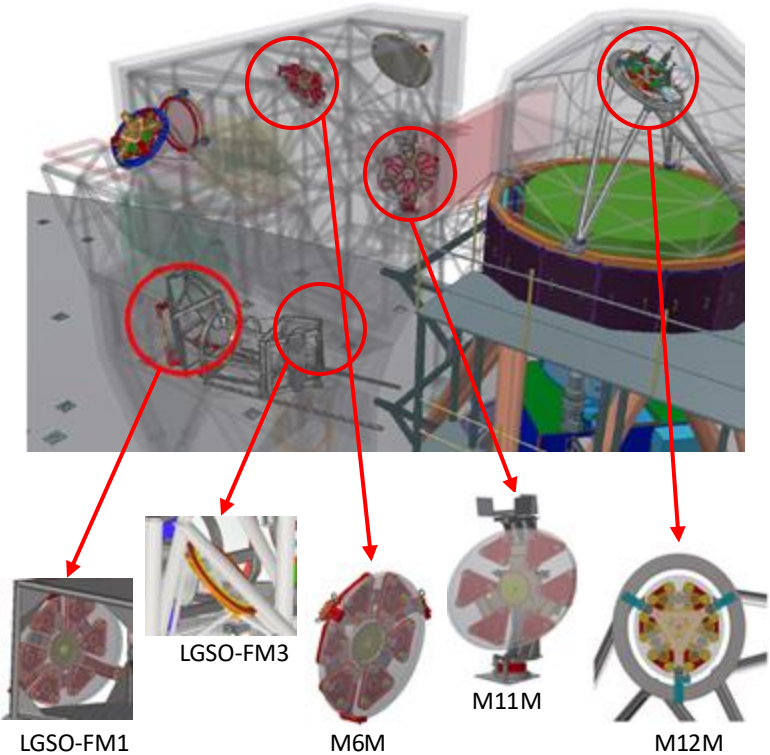


Calibration Unit



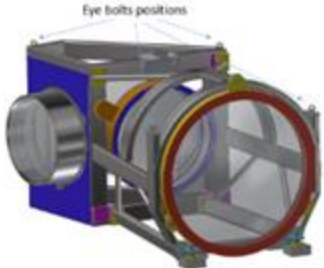
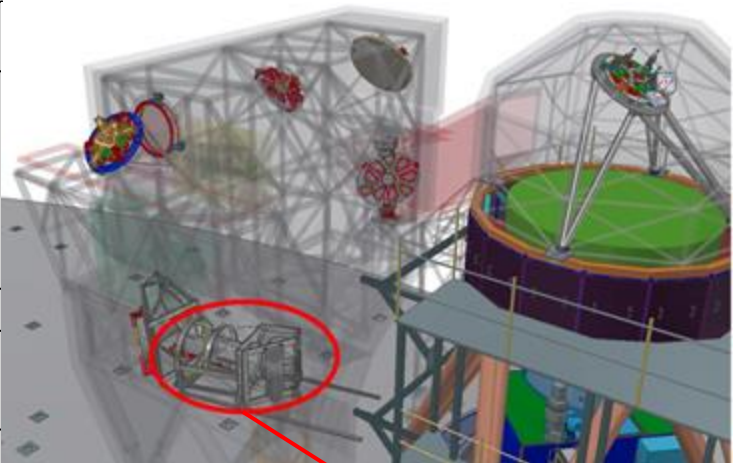
Procurement #5: MORFEO Flat Mirrors (M6M, M11M, M12M, LGSO-FM1, LGSO-FM3)

Location in System	MORFEO MCAO module and LGS Objective subsystem
Main Specifications	5 mirrors: elliptical apertures ranging from 405×550 mm to 1200×890 mm - Substrate: Zerodur or equivalent - Coatings: Protected Silver (M6M, M11M, M12M), Laser Line @589 nm (LGSO-FM1, FM3) - Surface accuracy: Zernike RMS (Z4–Z36) ≤100 nm (defocus), ≤8 nm (astigmatism), ≤5 nm (coma), ≤3 nm (trefoil) - Micro-roughness: <2 nm - Mirrors must survive 3.6g seismic loads - SEE MORFEO WEB PAGE FOR PRELIMINARY INFORMATION
Number of Items	5 flat mirrors + 5 mechanical dummies
Planning	- Issue of Call for Tender Q4 2025 for design and manufacturing - Final Design Phase: 6 months from Contract signature - Delivery: 24 months from MAIT Kick-Off
Procurement Procedure	Competitive tender; single contract for design, manufacturing, integration, and verification
Who to Contact	INAF Principal Investigator Paolo Ciliegi (paolo.ciliegi@inaf.it)
Other Relevant Aspects	- Delivered to INAF Integration Hall (Bologna) - Includes SMR referencing, handling tools, and ESO-compliant packing - Inclination angles vary per mirror (30° to 97°) - Dummy units replicate mass, volume, COG, and interfaces for early integration testing



Procurement #6: LGS Objective

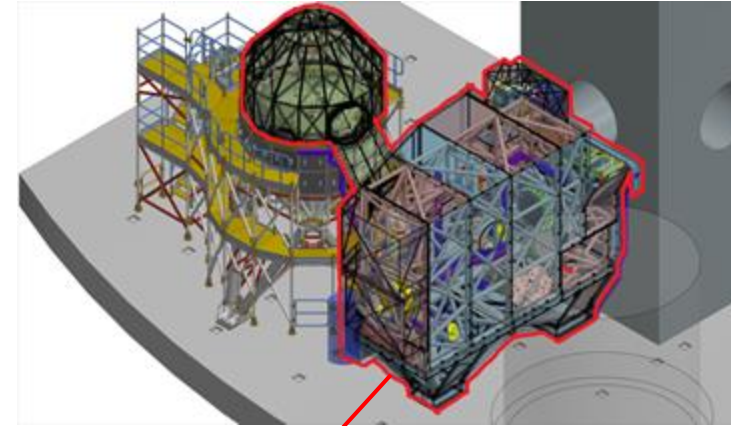
Location in System	Mounted within MORFEO MCAO module; delivers telecentric F/5 beam to LGS WFS
Main Specifications	5 optical elements: Silica lenses + Zerodur mirror - Coatings: AR @ 589 nm (lenses), HR @ 589 nm (mirror) - Mass: ≤ 400 kg - Repeatability: ±50 µm (X, Y, Z) - Earthquake survival: 3.6g in all directions - Delivered beam: F/5 telecentric SEE MORFEO WEB PAGE FOR PRELIMINARY INFORMATION
Number of Items	1 complete integrated and aligned objective + 1 mechanical dummy
Planning	- Issue of Call for Tender Q4 2025 - Final Design Phase: 8 months from T0 - Delivery: 18 months from FDR closure
Procurement Procedure	Competitive tender, single contract for design, manufacturing, integration, and verification
Who to Contact	INAF Principal Investigator Paolo Ciliegi (paolo.ciliegi@inaf.it)
Other Relevant Aspects	- Design + Manufacturing - Delivered to INAF Integration Hall (Bologna) - Includes handling tools, dust covers, and SMR alignment features - Must comply with ESO standards for ELT instrumentation - Dummy unit required for early handling validation



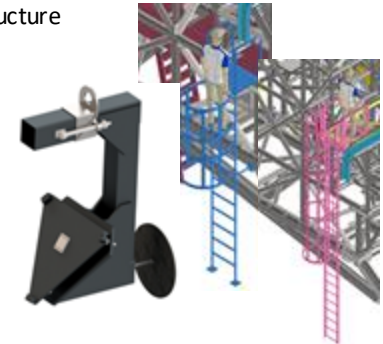
LGS Objective

Procurement #4: Morfeo Main Structure (MS) and AIV Tools

Location in System	Central support for MORFEO payloads (excluding MICADO); AIV tools used at BIH (Bologna) and Armazones (Chile)
Main Specifications	- Total mass $\leq 12,300$ kg - Alignment capability: ± 5 mm (Tx, Ty), ± 2 mm (Tz), $\pm 0.08^\circ$ (Rx), $\pm 0.05^\circ$ (Ry) - Seismic resistance: 3.0g horizontal, 2.5g vertical - Minimum eigenfrequency > 9.5 Hz
Number of Items	1 Main Structure + multiple AIV tools (handling, support, thermal, packing)
Planning	Call for Tender planned in Q4 2025
Procurement Procedure	Competitive tender, single contract for design, manufacturing, integration, and verification in Europe and shipping+integration to Chile
Who to Contact	INAF Principal Investigator Paolo Ciliegi (paolo.ciliegi@inaf.it)
Other Relevant Aspects	- Integration support required at BIH (Bologna) and Armazones (Chile) - AIV tools must enable safe handling, alignment, and servicing across both sites - Equipment must be CE-certified and earthquake-safe - Packing must be reusable for European and Chilean transport



Main Structure



Handling Tool and Support Equipment