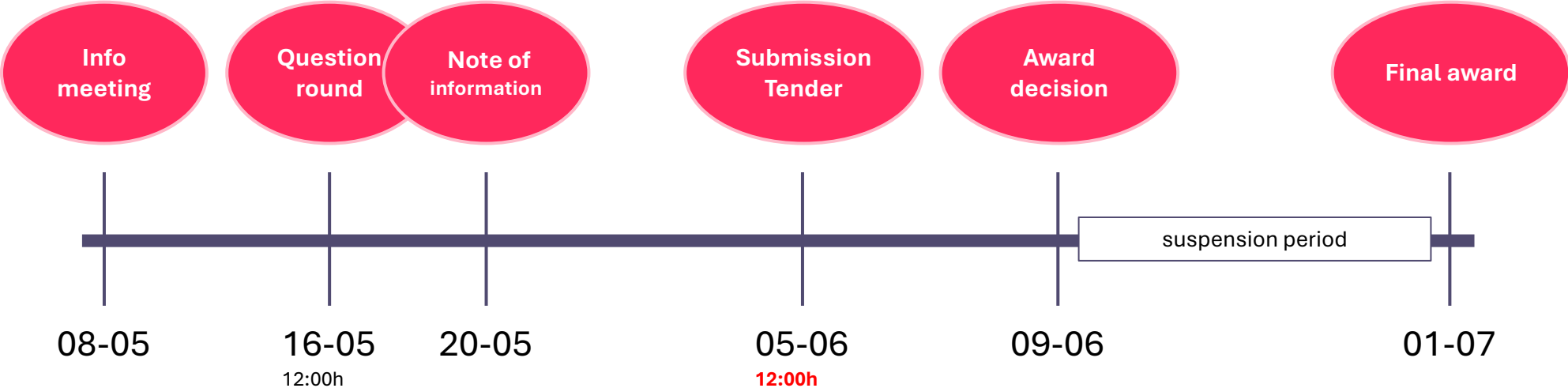


- Opening and introduction round

'During the information meeting, there is an opportunity to ask questions, which will be answered immediately as far as possible. However, for an official answer to the relevant questions, from which rights can be derived, they should be asked (again) as part of the Information Notice (Nvl).'

- Project Office ET-EMR
- Tender procedure
- Product Manager Bidbook WP5-Communications
- Questions

Tender procedure – Timeline



Start date of agreement: 02-07-2025
(end date 31-12-2026)

Method of registration

1

Eligibility requirement, demonstrate with references

- Sufficient technical and professional competence.

Core competences

- *Project management and reporting skills*
- *Knowledge of branding cities/regions and large projects*
- *Knowledge of bidbook writing*
- *Knowledge of stakeholder management in competitions*

Method of registration

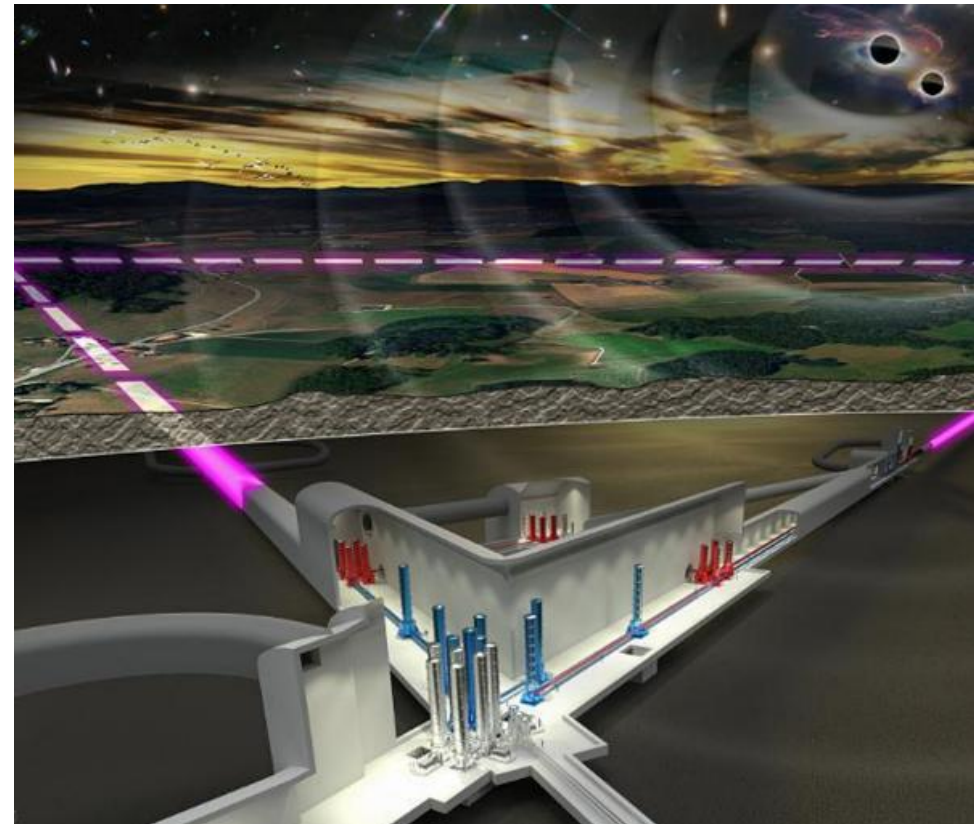
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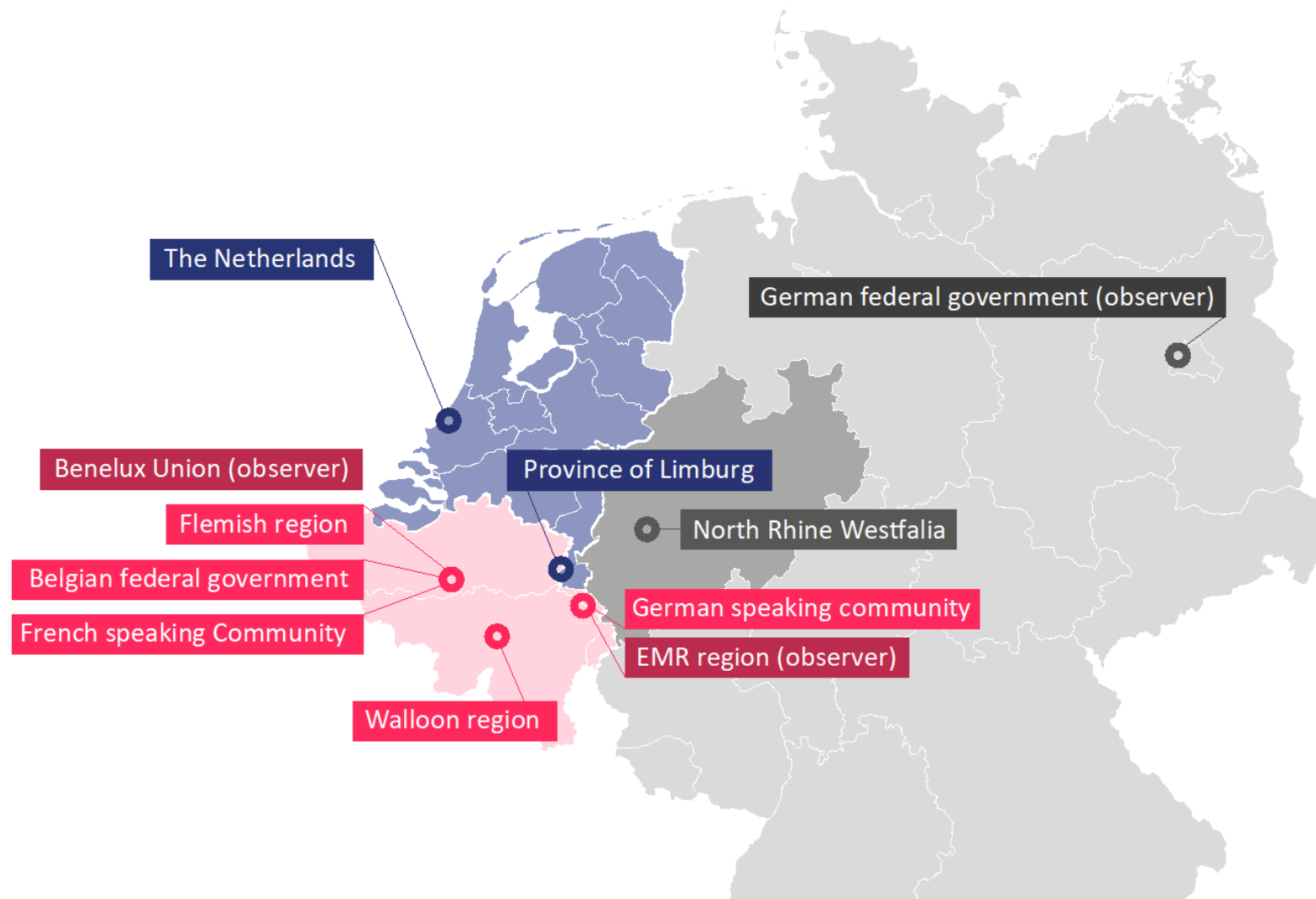
- Price: $Score = \left(\frac{Lowest\ Price\ "LP"}{Price\ registrant\ "Pr"} \right) \times 100\ points$
 - Optimal European positioning and presentation of the EMR as a candidate site (quantity * unit price per team member);
 - ET-EMR Bidbook writing and effective communications (quantity * unit price per team member);
 - Stakeholder communications (quantity * unit price per team member);
- Quality: Project plan [0 - 40 - 60 - 80 - 100 points]
 - Project approach [insufficient – sufficient – ample - good – Excellent]
 - Project plan [insufficient – sufficient – ample - good – Excellent]
 - Competences of the team [insufficient – sufficient – ample - good – Excellent]

ET-EMR Bidbook

1. EMR partner context
2. The target groups and targets
3. Work packages and planning



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ET-EMR Ministers (26.09.2023)

**DECLARATION OF INTENT
BETWEEN THE REPRESENTATIVES
OF THE STATES AND REGIONS IN
THE THREE-BORDER REGION
BELGIUM-GERMANY-NETHERLANDS**



Section 1 PURPOSE

This Declaration of Intent (DoI) aims to establish a framework for collaboration among the Participants on the preparation and submission of the proposal for building the ET in the three-border region Belgium-Germany-Netherlands, hereafter referred to as the Three-Border Region Einstein Telescope Project (the Project).

This region is usually referred to as the 'Euregio Meuse-Rhine' (EMR). Whenever 'EMR' is used in this DoI, it only refers to this geographical location, without any reference to legal or other dimensions that may otherwise be associated with it.

The purpose of the collaboration framework is.

1° To prepare the establishment of a consortium;

2° To outline the engagement and responsibilities of each Participant within the consortium to be,

3° To promote the development of research and innovation in the field of gravitational wave detection and related technologies,

4° To foster regional and international cooperation to economic and social growth and indicate economic opportunities and leverage complementary expertise within the participating countries in the three-border region.

ET-EMR Ministers (30.5.2024)



2.1. Plan, budget and bidbook preparation

The ET-EMR Project Office will oversee the day-to-day operation related to the preparation of the proposal of the ET project. It will prepare the plan and budget proposal for feasibility studies and will carry out their implementation. It will provide the Task Force with a quarterly progress report reflecting changes in costs, available funding, interim findings of the feasibility studies, etc. It will remain at the disposal of the Task Force for additional reporting requests.

Upon the availability of the required resources, the ET-EMR Project Office will support the Task Force in the necessary preparations of the bidbook and host consortium, by:

- Preparing one EMR framework for the bidbook (with the Einstein Telescope Organisation (ETO) and EMR experts);
- Leading the process management and writing the bidbook (with proposed suppliers);
- Including the EMR Research & Development agenda (of the cooperating research institutes in the EMR);
- Including the valorisation & impact agenda (of the Valorisation & Impact Expert Committee);
- Supporting the international partner strategy (of the Working Group);
- Supporting stakeholder management, communication and events (of the Working Group);
- Supporting governance, legal and finance proposals (together with the ETO and ET Preparatory Phase Project's Work Package 2 experts).

The Task Force supervises the work of the ET-EMR Project Office. It validates its plan and deliverables related to feasibility studies and bidbook. When doing so, it makes sure to stay aligned with decisions made by states and regions which provide funding in the framework of the above-mentioned Memorandum of Understanding.

Commitments of the three countries



Note: Research and innovation projects are not included in the table (additional).

The Netherlands;

- Preparations; NGF (23 M€) and Limburg (2 M€)
- Realisation; conditional reservation NGF (870 M€)

Germany;

- Preparations; NRW (10,9 M€) and federal (1.1 M€)
- Realisation; NRW commitment to co-finance NRW (coalition agreement) on the condition of a federal contribution (roadmap procedure running)

Belgium;

- Bidbook feasibility studies; VL, WAL and FED (12 M€)
- Realisation; political commitment in coalition agreements; Flanders already committed 200 M€ on a total Belgian contribution to be agreed

European context uncertain; scope risks

European Project Organisation:

- Design (incl. geometry)
- Timeline, organisation and budget
- Site characterization

> Anticipating a final roadmap proposal to be agreed and supported/ funded.

Board of Governmental Representatives:

- Organisation and budget
- Site selection

> Anticipating a first draft proposal of the “Working Group on Site Selection Procedure and Criteria” by 2026

Target Groups

Deciding target groups:

1. European Ministers deciding on the site (or those mandated)
 2. EMR Ministers deciding on the bidbook and consortium proposals
- > *EMR Ministers/ Taskforce and delegations in the BGR lead*

Influential target groups:

1. European community of scientists; supporting/ accepting the site
 2. EMR science institutes, industry partners and various local support groups
- > *EMR Project Office reaching out by stakeholder management*

Targets



1. The optimal plans to exploit the ET Science Case in the EMR (following the outcome of the feasibility studies)



2. The optimal plans to sustainably integrate the ET Infrastructure in the EMR (following the outcome of the feasibility studies)



3. A solid business case and plan to drive the impact of the ET in the EMR (requiring additional activities)

Planning

