LCGT Roadmap special working group

External Review (End of February)

Some recommendations on the LCGT schedule and subsystem development plans, in particular at the iLCGT stage.

→ Require discussions and consensus with multiple subgroups.



The scope of roadmap special working group has been expanded Previous: to recommend the roadmap to realize bLCGT
Now: to recommend the roadmap to realize LCGT

→ LCGT schedule plan including design, research, development, performance test, installation, and shakedown.

Previous Master Schedule

• 3 Major stages

Draft for discussion

iLCGT (2010.6 - 2014.9) Stable operation on large-scale IFO

→ 3km FPM interferometer at room temperature, with simplified vibration isolation system

~1 month (TBD) observation run

bLCGT (2014.10 – 2017.3) Observation run with final configuration

→ RSE, upgraded VIS, cryogenic operation

OBS (2017.4 -) Long-term observation and detector tuning

2011

2012

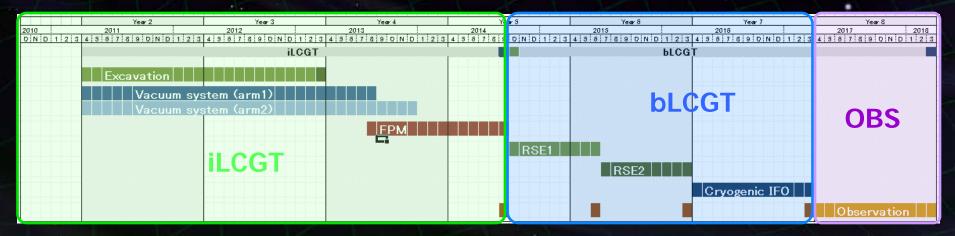
2013

2014

2015

2016

2017



Recommendations

On project

- •Plan to employ established technology with minimum modifications.
- Integrated system test to minimize the risk of late surprises.
- •Enhanced scope of iLCGT and possible change of schedule for it.
 - → Integrated system test to reduce risks and to compress schedule.
 Possible astrophysical output in the iLCGT stage.

Vibration Isolation

- Employ the full-scale type-B isolation system for test masses from the first phase of iLCGT installation.
- Rapid development of the full-scale type-B system.

Mirror

- •Consider contingency options that do not depend on the early delivery of high-quality sapphire input test masses.
- Possible plan: cool only the end masses at first.
 This may require a thermal compensation system.

Status

Status and plan

- Discussion on the iLCGT and bLCGT construction plan.
- •Two meetings after the external review (April 11th, April 20th).
- •Next meeting on May 11th.
- •Will summarize the recommendation by June 10th, 2011.