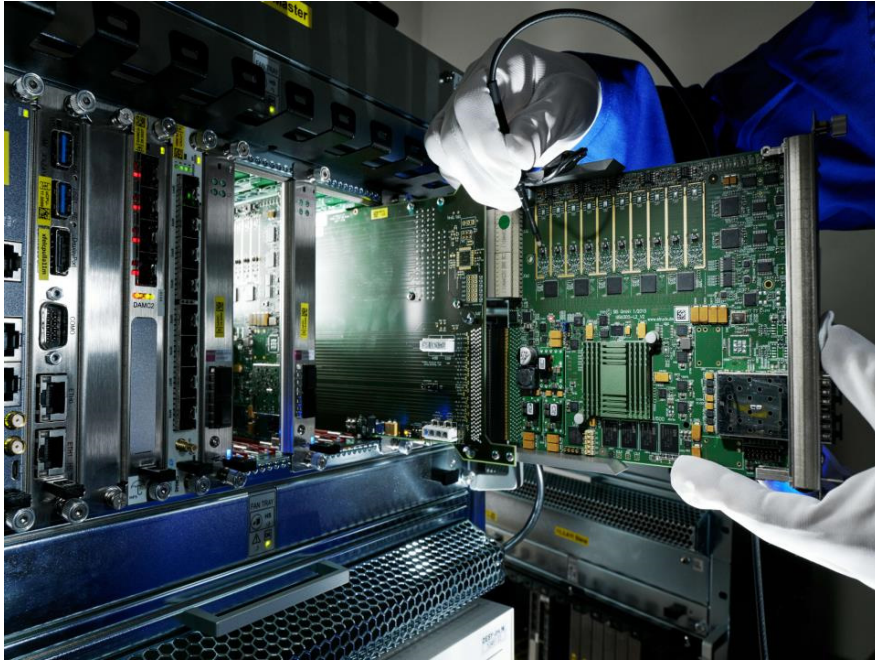


# MicroTCA Technology Lab at DESY

## Start-Up Phase Summary



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(on behalf of the MSK/ ITT teams)  
IPAC Copenhagen, 18.05.2017





PETRA III

DESY II

FLASH

FLASH II

PIA

LINAC II



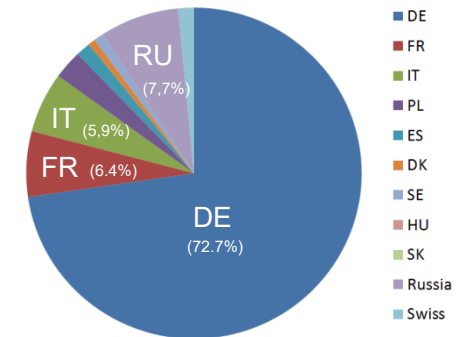
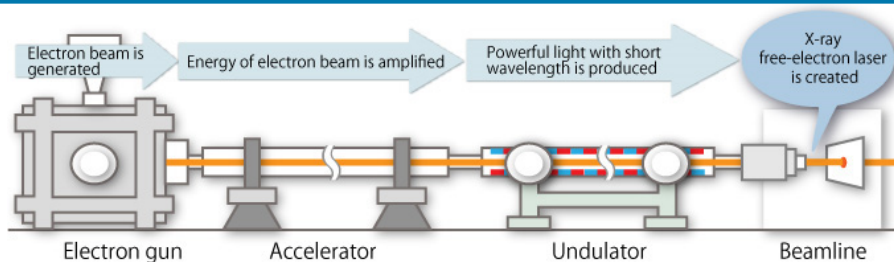


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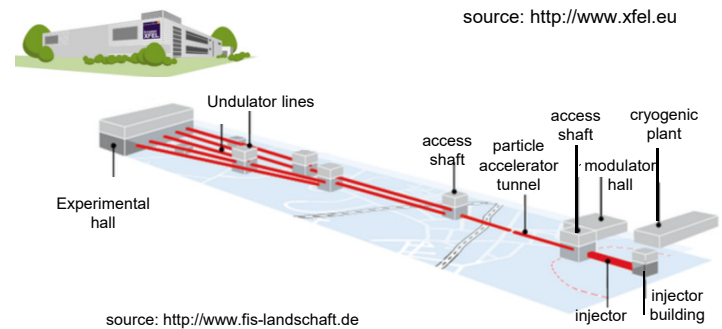


## The European X-ray Free Electron Laser

- 17.5 GeV light source user facility
- TESLA superconducting 1.3 GHz RF cavities
- 1.4 msec RF pulses at 10 Hz
- e- beam 1.35 mA nom. - 4.5 mA max
- Dec. 18<sup>th</sup> 2015: first beam in injector
- 2015-2016: main tunnel installation
- Q1 of 2017: main linac commissioning
- May 4<sup>th</sup> 2017 : first lasing
- End of 2017: first user operation



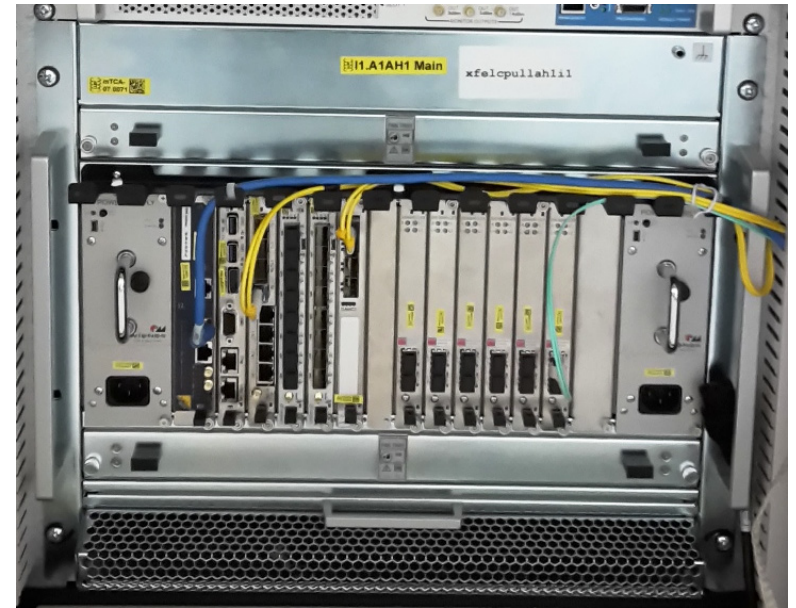
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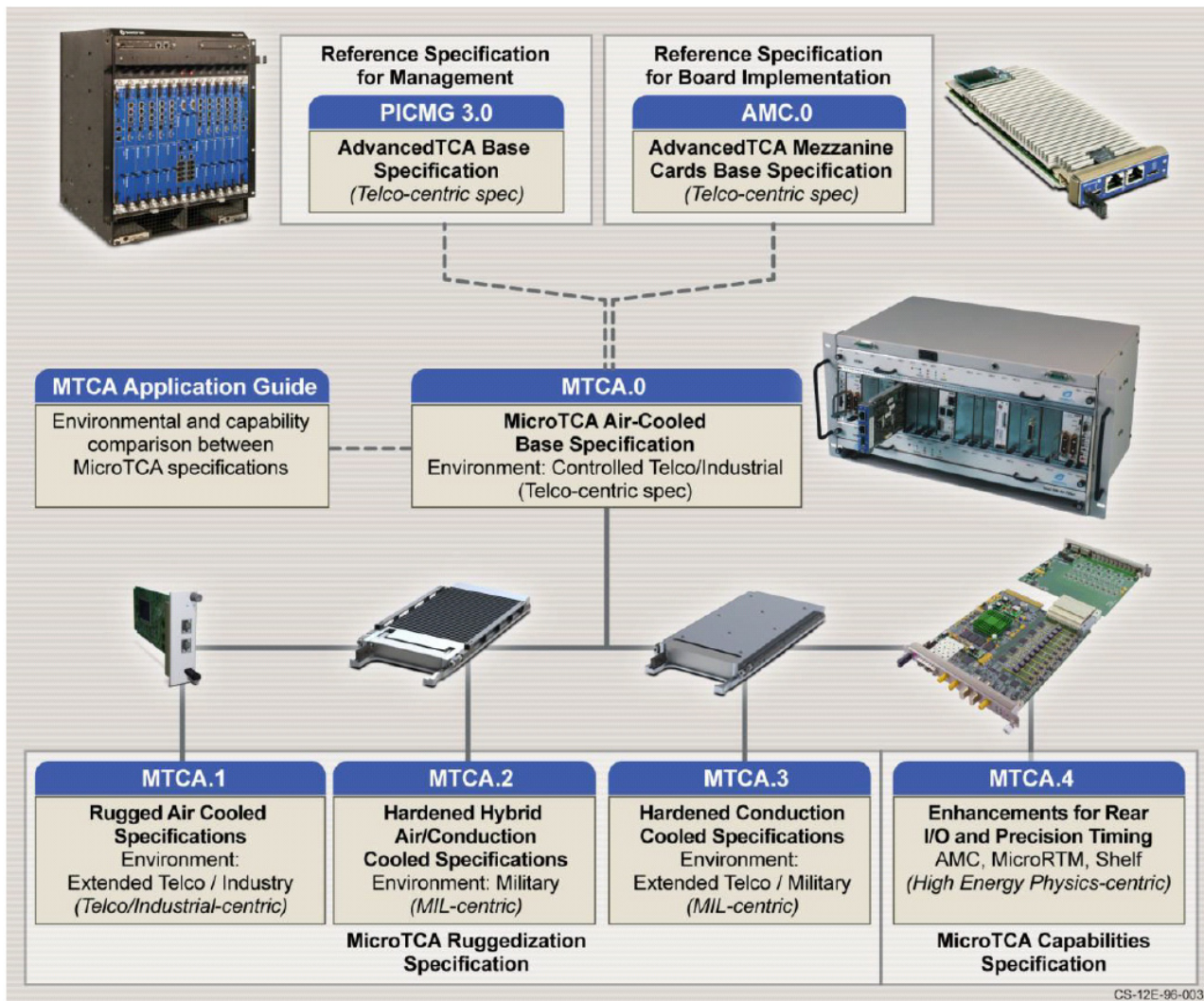
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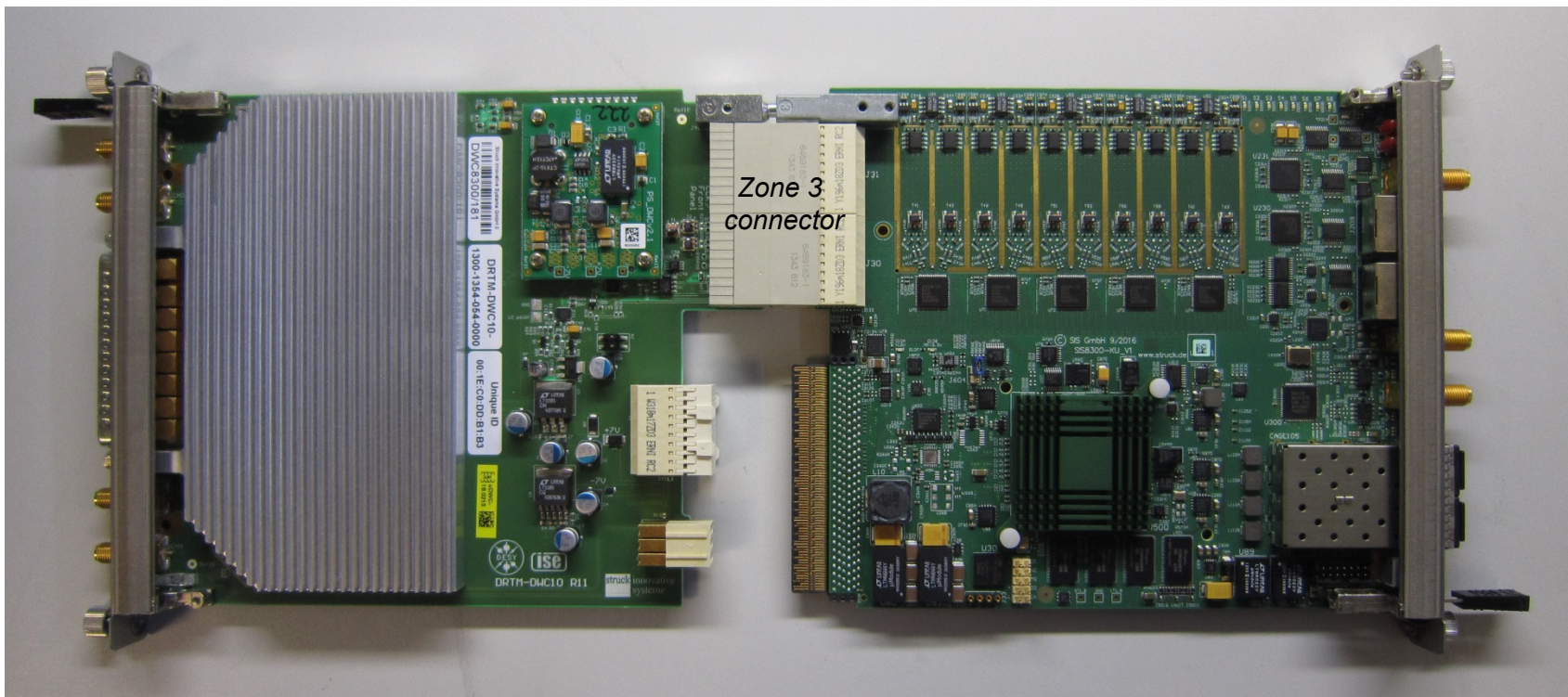


- > open (no vendor lock-in)
- > modular
- > broadly supported (PICMG)
- > high performance
- > compact
- > versatile
- > reliable (through redundancy and “hot plug & play”)
- > remote diagnostics/ remote management
- > economical

- transfer potential:**
- **accelerator community**
  - **other research facilities**
  - **industry!**

Figure 1. The MicroTCA family of specifications maximizes reuse from its ATCA and AMC parent specifications.



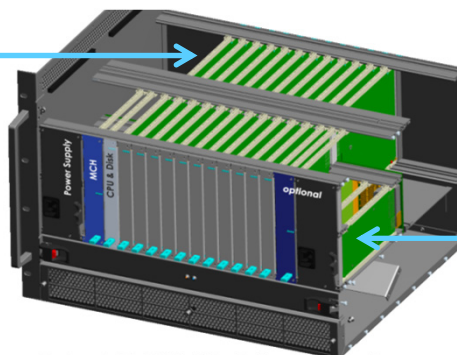


## Rear Transfer Module (RTM)

- rearside cable access
- mostly analog
- signal sampling & conditioning

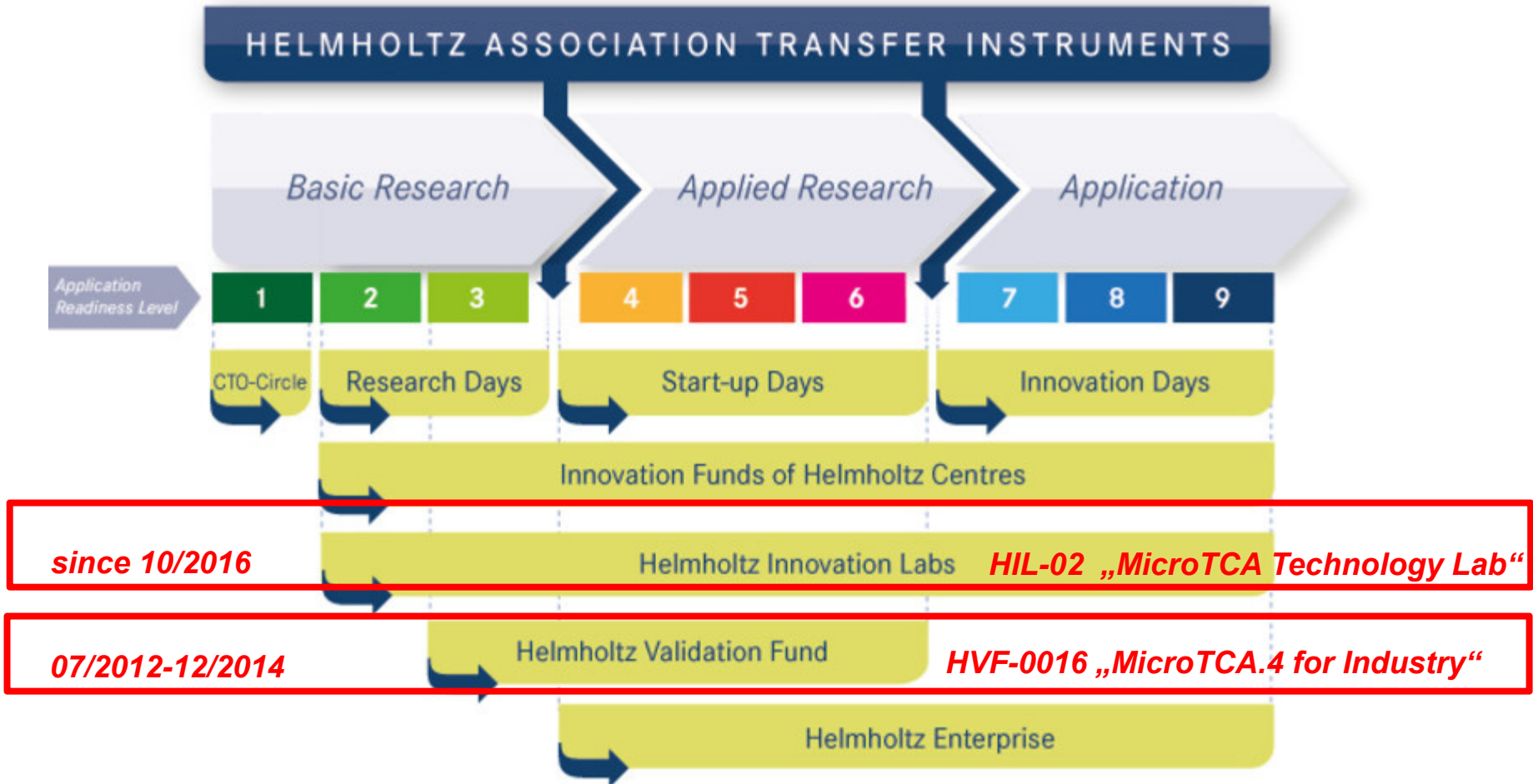
## Advanced Mezzanine Card (AMC)

- mostly digital
- latest FPGAs
- data processing





# MicroTCA Technology Transfer



Source: [https://www.helmholtz.de/en/transfer/technology\\_transfer/transfer\\_instruments/](https://www.helmholtz.de/en/transfer/technology_transfer/transfer_instruments/)



# HVF: Hardware development, community support

## > analog/ digital signal processing boards



Versatile data acquisition and processing board for high data throughput applications

DAM C-2



General purpose low-latency data processing unit incl. reference clocks

DAM C-TCK7



Very fast digitizer board with eight channels able to sample RF signals up to 2.7 GHz

DAM C-DS800



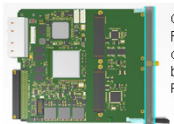
General purpose FPGA mezzanine card (FMC) carrier board for 1 low pin and 1 high pin FMC

DAM C-FM C20



Low jitter synchronisation system: clock, trigger and data distribution on 1.3 Gbps fiber optics

DAM C-X2timer



General purpose FPGA mezzanine card (FMC) carrier board for 2 high pin FMCs.

DAM C-FMC25



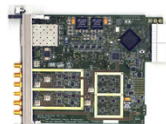
4-channel Piezo Driver module, supports simultaneous driving and sensing of 4 piezo elements (actuators and sensors)

DRTM-PZT4



Two channel high frequency vector modulator for L and S bands at input center frequencies of 1.3GHz, 3.0GHz and 3.9GHz

DRTM-VM 2



Two channel low frequency vector modulator 10MHz-500MHz

DRTM-VM 2LF



Eight channel ADC (bandwidth 90MHz), four channel DAC

DRTM-AD84



High frequency eight channel down- and single channel up conversion covering the L and S-band

DRTM-DWC8VM1



Multi-channel local oscillator generator and high frequency signal and low-jitter clock fan-out module

DRTM-LOG1300



Ten channel high frequency down-converter operating in the L-, S band at input center frequencies from 700MHz-4GHz

DRTM-DWC10

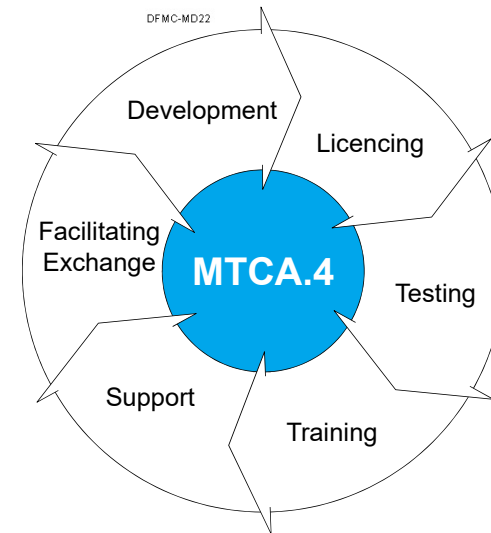


Cost-efficient two Channel stepper motor driver, providing up to 12V/1.8A per coil for bipolar stepper motors

DFMC-MD22

## > Support activities

- Annual MicroTCA Workshop (~150-200)
- MicroTCA Helpline
- Website: <http://mtca.desy.de/>
- MicroTCA Starter Kits
- MicroTCA Trainings (Basic, Advanced)

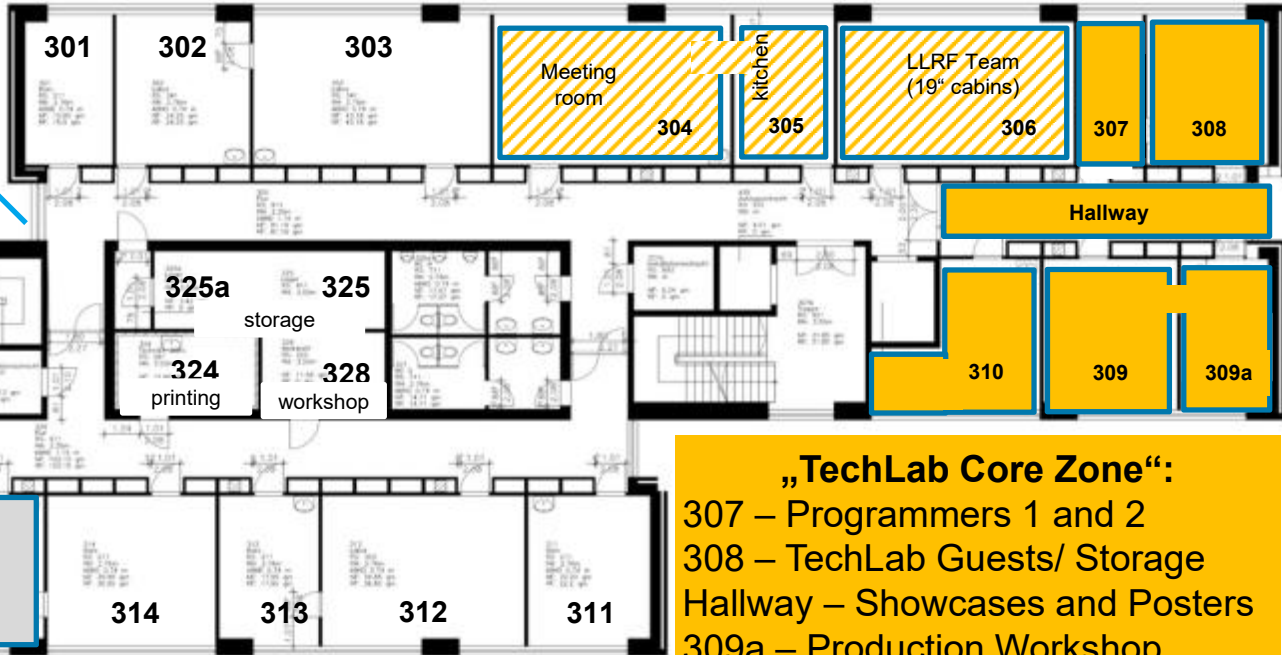




# MicroTCA Technology Lab / MSK interaction



**„MSK/TechLab Mixed Zone“:**  
306 – Advanced Measurements/  
Special Equipment  
305 – Kitchen/ Hospitality  
304 – Meeting Room



**„TechLab Core Zone“:**  
307 – Programmers 1 and 2  
308 – TechLab Guests/ Storage  
Hallway – Showcases and Posters  
309a – Production Workshop  
309 – Demo/ Test Lab  
310 – Showroom/ Meeting room



# MSK – Maschine Strahlkontrollen



## > Responsibilities:

- Beam stabilization systems (transversal/longitudinal) in storage rings & linacs
- Timing for pre-accelerator systems
- Precision magnet controls for DESY II
- **Precision synchronization systems on femtosecond level Special Diagnostic devices**
- **RF Control Systems for the accelerator structures (LLRF)**



# MicroTCA Technology Lab – basic facts and figures

- > MicroTCA.4 → „MicroTCA“
- > 5 year project, official start in October 2016
- > 2,5m EUR grant, 5m EUR total budget
- > team: 5-7, close collaboration with DESY MSK
- > mid-term evaluation after 2,5 years
- > mission: facilitate industrial applications based on MicroTCA, build „enabling space“ for collaborations with industrial partners
- > break even after year 5
- > continue HVF technology transfer: support, training, workshops, (...)
- > expand services beyond HVF, build regular business operations:
  - > **design services & product development (HW, FW, SW)**
  - > **high-end test and measurement services**
  - > **consulting (configuration, integration)**



## > VHDL

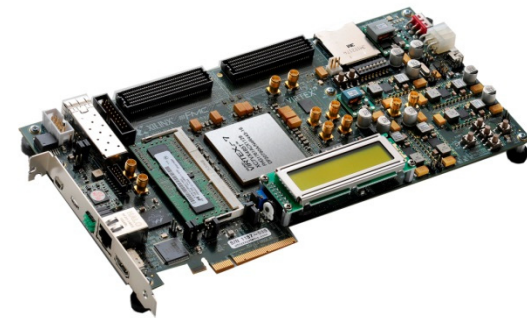
- > Board support packages
- > MGTs >10Gbps
- > High performance PCIe drivers

## > Hardware

- > board development/ upgrades
- > latest FPGAs: Virtex 6, Kintex 7, Zynq
- > board portfolio
- > signal integrity >10Gbps
- > advanced board material
- > next generation backplanes
- > test adapters and calibration kits

## > System Integration

- > vendor-independent, modular configurations
- > Custom designs for specific applications



<https://www.xilinx.com/>

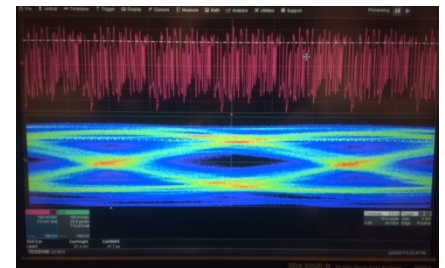
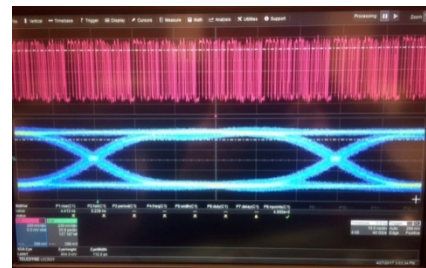
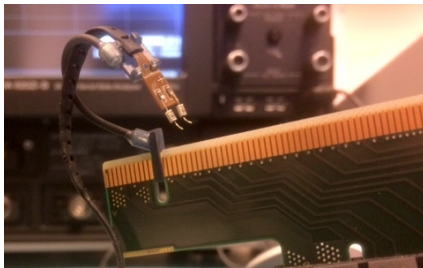




# MicroTCA Technology Lab – high-end test/measurement



- 20 GHz / 80GS Scope
- Compliance testing
  - PCIe Gen3
  - 10GB Ethernet
  - DDR3/4 RAM
  - USB 3.0



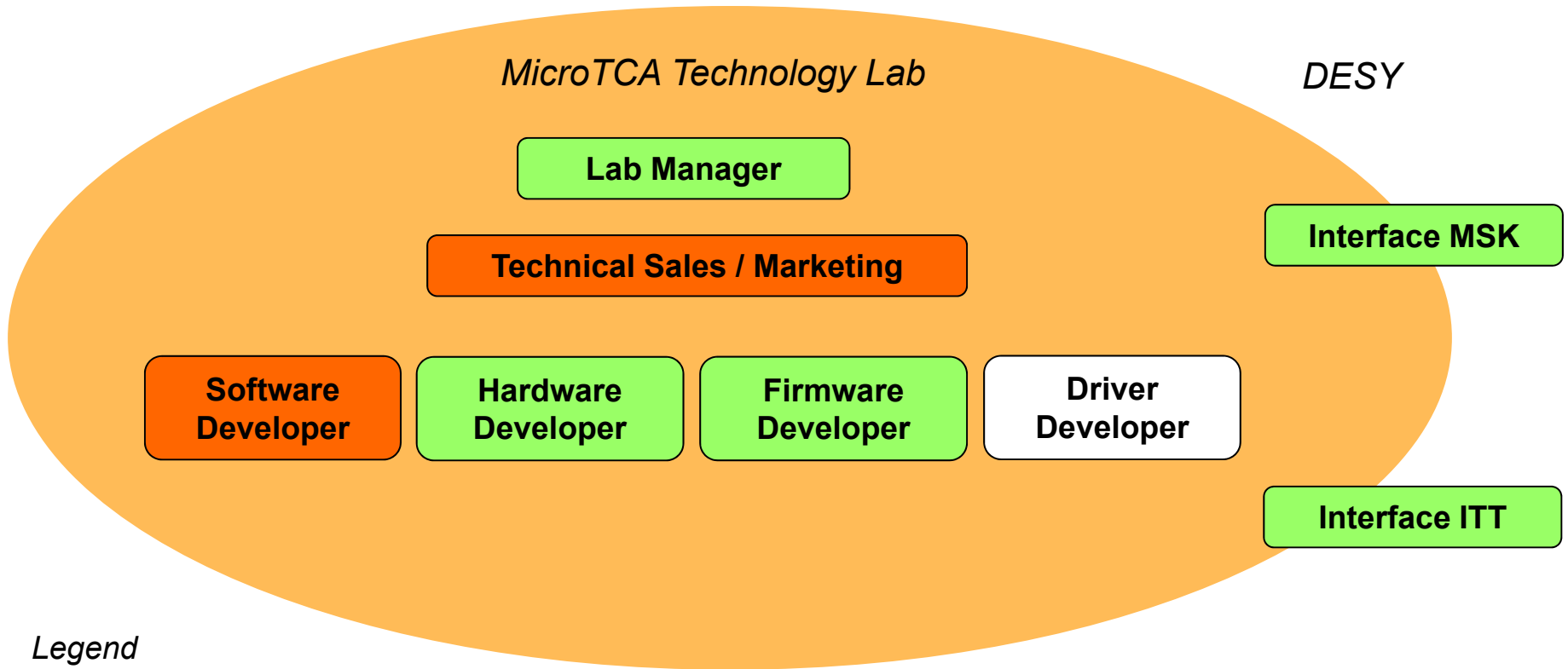
*PCIe Gen3 testing in a medical technology device*

# MicroTCA Technology Lab – consulting (config./integration)





# MicroTCA Technology Lab – Team status



## Legend

position filled

position advertised 06/17

position to be  
advertised later

## JOB OFFERS.

DESY offers challenging tasks in an international setting

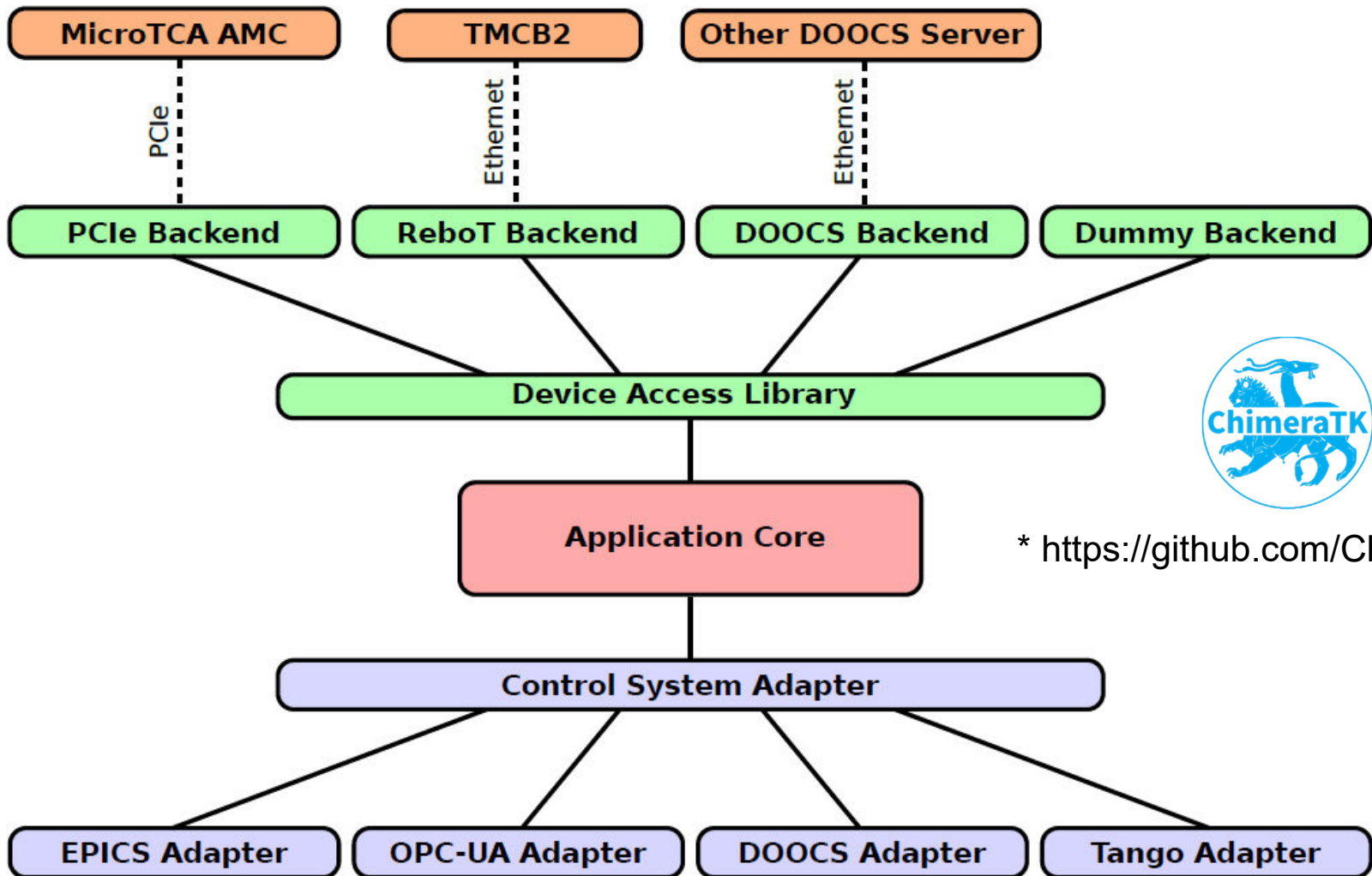
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MSK - Maschine Strahlkontrolle  
ITT - Innovations- und Technologietransfer



# TechLab/MSK – Software development framework and tools



\* <https://github.com/ChimeraTK/>

\* Control system and Hardware Interface with Mapped and Extensible Register-based device Abstraction Tool Kit





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→ *matrix organisation for Italian PROs (to make them more entrepreneurial)*

Klein, P. et al (2010)

→ *research framework and summary of open research questions/ research opportunities*

Tether, B.S. and Tajar, A (2008)

→ *patterns of PRO use in the UK: R&D, financial commitment to innovation, human capital, degree of innovation*

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→ *how to make universities more entrepreneurial*

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→ *role of tacit knowledge transfers, location issues*

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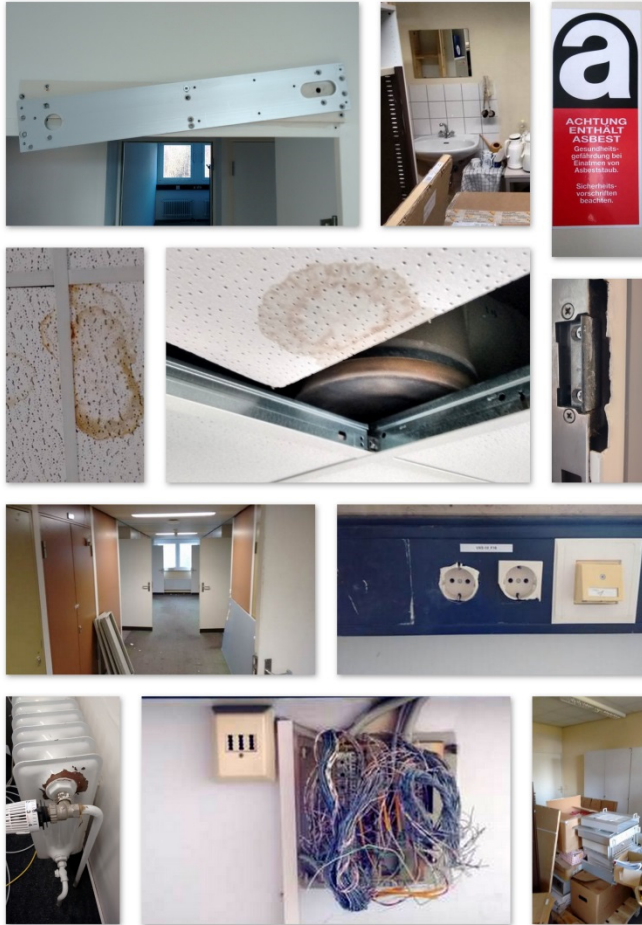
→ *structure of innovation process and spin-off creation*

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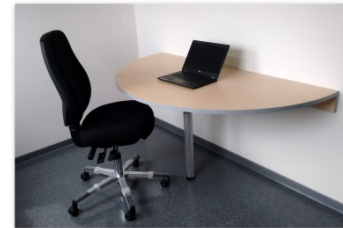
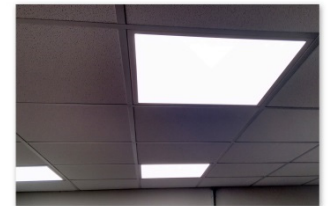
→ *PROs instrumental in product and process innovations of the private sector*



# TechLab – Focus area: Infrastructure




- *removals*
- *asbestos clean-up*
- *carpets*
- *ceiling tiles*
- *electrics/ lighting*
- *LAN/ WLAN*
- *safety/ security/ access control*
- *audio visual equipment*
- *painter/ decorators*
- *graphics design*
- *carpentry/ furniture*
- *lab installations*
- *locksmithery/ doors*
- *airconditioning*
- *plumbers*
- ...





Beschleuniger | Forschung mit Photonen | Teilchenphysik  
Deutsches Elektronen-Synchrotron  
Ein Forschungszentrum der Helmholtz-Gemeinschaft



## DIGITALELEKTRONIK ENTWICKLUNG.

**Für den Standort Hamburg suchen wir:  
Digitalelektronikentwicklerin (w/m) im  
MicroTCA Technology Lab**

**DESY**  
Das Deutsche Elektronen-Synchrotron DESY ist eines der weltweit führenden Zentren in der Forschung mit Photonen, in der Teilchen- und Astroteilchenphysik sowie in der Beschleunigerphysik.

Die Gruppe MSK entwickelt, baut und betreibt komplexe Regelungssysteme zur Strahlsteuerung und Strahlidiagnose, u.a. für FLASH, PETRA III und den European XFEL. Die hierfür notwendige High-end Elektronikentwicklung wird durch das neu gegründete "MicroTCA Technology Lab" bei DESY auch extern an Kunden in Forschung und Industrie vermarktet.

**Ihre Aufgabe**

- Umsetzung anspruchsvoller Projekte als Mitglied eines neu gegründeten Teams
- Verantwortliche Betreuung der vollständigen Entwicklungskette: Spezifikation, Schaltplänenentwicklung, Layout, Inbetriebnahme, Test
- Entwicklung, Anpassung und Integration von High-end Hard- und Software in enger Abstimmung mit dem Auftraggeber
- Entwicklung komplexer digitaler und analoger Schaltungen, insbesondere auf FPGA-Basis (Xilinx UltraScale und 7-Series)

**Ihr Profil**

- Abgeschlossene wissenschaftliche Hochschulbildung in Elektrotechnik oder Technischer Informatik oder vergleichbarer Abschluss oder gleichwertige Fachkenntnisse, Fähigkeiten und Erfahrungen
- Gute Kenntnisse im Bereich der Hochgeschwindigkeits- und der Entwicklung von Xilinx FPGA Baugruppen
- Gute Fachkenntnisse über den Aufbau, die Funktionsweise und Programmierung von digitaler Hardware
- Gute Fachkenntnisse im Bereich der Signalintegrität und Digitaltechnik
- Kenntnisse im Bereich von Mikrokontrolern und C/C++ Programmierung wünschenswert
- Berufserfahrung im Design, der Produktion und Inbetriebnahme von komplexen Elektronikboards
- Verhandlungssicheres Deutsch und Englisch in Wort und Schrift


Fachliche Fragen beantwortet Ihnen gern Dr. Thomas Walter unter 040-8998-1887.

Die Stelle ist befristet auf 2 Jahre.  
Die Vergütung und sozialen Leistungen entsprechen denen des öffentlichen Dienstes. Die Eingruppierung erfolgt je nach Qualifikation und Aufgabenübertragung. Schwerbehinderte Menschen werden bei gleicher Eignung bevorzugt berücksichtigt. DESY ist offen für flexible Arbeitszeitmodelle. DESY fördert die berufliche Entwicklung von Frauen und bittet Frauen deshalb nachdrücklich, sich um die zu besetzende Stelle zu bewerben. Bei DESY ausgeschriebene Stellen sind grundsätzlich teilzeithfähig. Im Rahmen eines jeden Bewerbungsverfahrens wird individuell geprüft, ob die Stelle im konkreten Fall mit Teilzeitarbeitskräften besetzt werden kann. Auf dem DESY-Gelände befindet sich ein zweisprachiger Kindergarten.

Wir freuen uns auf Ihre Bewerbung unter Angabe der Kennziffer über unser elektronisches Bewerbungsportal: [Online-Bewerbung](#)  
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## > Timeline:

- October 2016: official project start
- January 2017: job advertisement placed
- April 2017: job interviews, candidate selected
- May 2017: negotiations successful, paperwork completed
- September 2017: candidate starts
- ~ end of 2017: onboarding/ qualification completed
- March 2019: mid-term evaluation of the project

## > Time-limited contracts

## > Public pay scale



# TechLab – Focus area: Processes



- Price indication / official quotation
- Contractual paperwork for collaboration agreements
- Procurement of non-standard IT
- Outbound logistics (insurance!)
- Project-specific cost controlling and budget transfers
- Website set-up (sub domain DESY)
- DESY CI-compliant marketing material
- ...





# TechLab – Focus area: Strategy




- > objective: sustainable innovation strategy
- > questionnaire + two-stage workshop:
  - Ressources, leadership, culture, organisation, clients, location, context, technological environment,...

Technology X from DESY (Helmholtz Association)

|                          |   |
|--------------------------|---|
| Topic                    | MicroTCA.4 - Electronics for High-end Applications in Research (and beyond)   |
| Short description        | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• originated in telecommunications, adapted for physics research</li> <li>• high-performance analog and digital processing capability in a compact format</li> <li>• open system approach, &gt;100 organizations worldwide participate (<a href="http://www.plcmg.org">www.plcmg.org</a>)</li> <li>• features: remote maintenance/management, hot plug &amp; play of components, highly modular and scalable architecture, high-precision clocks, versatile application board portfolio for signal sampling and processing</li> <li>• standard of choice for new developments with extreme reliability requirements</li> </ul> |
| Examples for application | Developed/adapted for particle accelerators like <a href="http://www.xfel.eu/de/">http://www.xfel.eu/de/</a> ; transfer opportunities to be explored: <b>Laser, Radar, Industrial Automation, Medical Technology, + your ideas</b>  |



<http://mtca.desy.de>  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mg6znQrDAfc>

IME Chair for Innovation Management and Entrepreneurship 1

- > student team from TU Berlin/Potsdam, 2 month project
- > market research/ market strategy (update)
- > fresh ideas?



# TechLab – (Preliminary) Summary of the Start-up Phase

- > Your best estimate ? (... x2)
  - > Team diversity
- > Celebrate victories (also the little ones)
  - > Enlist top-level support
  - > Working relationships
    - > 80/20
  - > Go explore...





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