News and announcements: 2024 Oct 02

VSC meeting this afternoon Wed Oct 02 14:00

The following topics require actions or decisions by the VSC:

- Endorsement of the "lessons learned" document
- 2024 Virgo award: approval of the final report
- Appointment of Virgo Ombudsperson
- Appointment of CBC review co-chair
- LVK meeting updates:
 - BelGrav contribution Virgo calibration (update later by Hans)
 - o IGWN (update later by Justin)
 - O4c: Jan Jun 2026 + papers including GWTC-6
- Please update data analysis activities on <u>VMD</u>
 - Please do the same for ET on <u>ETMD</u>
- Non-Virgo updates?
- Subsequent calls?
 - Chairing / call planning rota: <u>link</u> (LIGO credentials required)

Leaving members

- Alba Romero: CNRS permanent position at LAPP, Annecy
- Jishnu Suresh: Herni Poincaré fellow at Artemis, Nice
- Federico De Lillo: Finished PhD; postdoc position in UAntwerpen
- Kevin Turbang: Finished PhD

Congratulations to all above!

New members

- Justin Janquart (permanent, UCLouvain)
- Aaron Goodwin-Jones (permanent, UCLouvain): expected November
- Soumen Roy (postdoc, UCLouvain)
- Soumen Koley (postdoc, ULiège)
- Marion Pillas (postdoc, ULiège)
- Tatevik Chalyan (postdoc, VUB)
- Jef Heynen (PhD, UCLouvain)
- Leonardo Ricca (PhD, UCLouvain)
- Elise Van den Bossche (PhD, VUB)

New masters / bachelors students

- Khuzaifa Naveed (masters, UGent)
- Robin Chan (masters, UGent)
- Matteo Vereertbrugghen (masters, UGent)
- Sudipto Kundu (masters, UCLouvain)
- Olivier Nauwelaers (masters, UAntwerpen)
- Jaden Van Hecke (bachelors, UAntwerpen)
- Eliot Janssens (masters, UGent)