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1 Objectives of WP6

The objectives of this work package are to coordinate the joint transnational access programme of Laserlab-Europe and the common management of the application and selection procedures. In addition, the aim is to monitor and improve, at the consortium level, the quality of services provided to users by the access providing infrastructures, with substantial involvement of User Representatives. Advantage is taken of user feedback to refine the consortium's long-term strategy.

The work packages comprises the supervision of the access management and selection procedures through the Access Board, the organisation of User Meetings, interaction with User Representatives, analysing user feedback and user needs, as well as the analysis of the user community and measures to enlarge the user basis.

2 Objectives of the task "User Meetings"

Task leader: Access Board, headed by CEA-SLIC and CNRS-LULI.

Annual User Meetings are organised at the consortium level in order to bring together a significant number of users, facilitating and fostering their exchanges across different disciplines and with the infrastructure operators. They provide a unique opportunity for Users to present their scientific results and to give feedback on Laserlab-Europe's access programme via Round Table discussions, and for the access providers to present recent upgrades, new experimental set-ups or diagnostics. User Meetings are organised by the Access Board and the User Representatives, with each meeting being hosted by one of the access providing facilities.

3 Second User Meeting

Laserlab-Europe User Meeting 2017, 27-29 August 2017, Vilnius, Lithuania

The Laserlab-Europe annual User Meeting of 2017 took place at the access-providing laboratory VULRC in Vilnius, Lithuania on August 27 and 29. The meeting was organised by Valdas Sirutkaitis and his team. The User Representatives had taken an active part in the planning of the scientific programme.

More than 40 participants attended the two-day meeting, where results of recent transnational access projects performed at different Laserlab-Europe laboratories were presented. The meeting had three sessions titled: 'High intensity interactions and plasma physics', 'Life sciences & biotechnology and molecular and cellular biology' and 'Cultural heritage investigations with lasers'. 18 presentations on access projects performed in 14 Laserlab host institutions were given. The users came from the Czech Republic (ELI Beamlines, Institute of Physics, ASCR; Biomedical Research Centre, University Hospital Hradec Kralove), France (CEA Saclay), Germany (Helmoltz-Zentrum Dresden-Rossendorf (HZDR); Institute of Microtechnology), Ireland (Dublin City Univ.), Austria (Technical Univ. of Vienna), Poland (Institute of Plasma Physics and Laser Microfusion), Portugal (IPFN, Instituto Superior Tecnico), UK (Univ. of Strathclyde, University of Oxford, Queen's University Belfast) and Russia (St. Petersburg State Electrotechnical University).

A round table discussion, organised by the Laserlab-Europe User Representatives and chaired by Rosa Weigand from Complutense University of Madrid, Spain, was held in order to collect feedback from users and to improve and enlarge access to the different Laserlab-Europe facilities. Laserlab user meetings are excellent occasions to find out about the research done in the different Laserlab facilities and to initiate interdisciplinary exchange.

The participants enjoyed a working dinner in a restaurant in Trakai with its informal atmosphere, which provided a great occasion for discussions. At the end of the second day, the participants had the opportunity to visit the laboratories at VULRC and Light Conversion Ltd and joined an excursion to old town of Vilnius.



The Aula of Vilnius University



Participants of the user meeting

The programme and a book of abstracts are available for download at

<https://www.laserlab-europe.eu/events-1/laserlab-events/2017/27-29-august-user-meeting-vilnius>