

WP4 Sustainability Wiki

The NA Sustainability will enhance the sustainability of future radio astronomical research in Europe with a focus on:

- The standardization of VLBI operations and equipment at EVN and GMVA observatories to enhance the quality of the received data. Training and development are key elements, which will be shared by the TOG and GMVA technical groups on a regular basis.
- Protection and maintenance of the radio spectrum for radio astronomy to enable radio-astronomical observations, which are sensitive enough to contribute significantly to relevant science goals. The Committee on Radio Astronomy Frequencies (CRAF) is responsible for this activity. It contains elements of training and collaboration with the industry to improve engineering standards.
- The establishment of a formal platform in which European radio astronomy institutes and organisations come together and discuss the broad coordination of the field in areas related to strategic planning and other high-level policy matters. The platform will focus on joint activities, including EVN, ALMA and the SKA ([WP4 Description](#))

This activity is divided into:

- [WP4.1 EVN TOG & GMVA Technical meetings](#) - Leaders *P. de Vicente & H. Rottmann*
- [WP4.2 Spectrum Management](#) - Leader *W. van Driel*
- [WP4.3 RadioNet Strategy & Policy forum – SPOOR \(STM\)](#) - Leader *M. Garrett*

The overall leader of this activity is Hans van der Marel (ASTRON)

Calls

All tasks have separated **calls for financial support for:**

- [Training events](#) - the next call will be issued on June 1, 2017
- [European ARC - MARCUs](#)
- [Short Term Mission](#) - the next call will be issued on June 1, 2017

Deliverables

The following deliverables are scheduled for WP2:

No	Del. Title	Level	Due date	Event	Date	Place	Report
D2.1	Technical Workshop 1	PU	Dec 2017				

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