

Virgo and LIGO IEEE Milestone Appointment

February 3rd 2021

The ceremony for appointing the IEEE milestone to Virgo and LIGO will start at **16.30** and will be divided into three parts:

- 16.30 - 17.30** *Institutional greetings and celebration at the EGO site - Remote live streaming: youtube.com/c/EGOtheVirgoCollaboration*
- 17.30 - 19.00** *Broadcast of the pre-recorded celebration with LIGO. Remote live streaming: gwamilestone.com*
- 19.00 - 19.30** *Unveiling of the IEEE Milestone commemorative plaque at Cascina, Hanford and Livingston connected live.*

Draft Program

16.30 *Welcome and Introduction - Stavros Katsanevas, EGO director and Bernardo Tellini, President IEEE – Italy Section*

Institutional Welcome

16.35 *Eugenio Giani - President of Regione Toscana*

Research Institutions

16.45 *Marco Pallavicini - EGO Council President*

16.50 *Antoine Petit - President of CNRS, Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique*

16.55 *Antonio Zoccoli - President of INFN, Istituto Nazionale di Fisica Nucleare*

17.00 *Stan Bentvelsen - Netherlands Organisation for Scientific Research*

Historical and Future Perspectives

17.05 *Raffaele Flaminio – Advanced Virgo + project leader*

17.10 *Giovanni Losurdo – Virgo spokesperson*

Final Greetings and Conclusion

17.20 *Gaetano Manfredi - Italian Minister of Research and University*

17.30 *Broadcast of the pre-recorded ceremony*

19.00 *Unveiling of the IEEE Milestone commemorative plaque at the three sites connected live*