

## 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](https://youtube.com/c/EGOtheVirgoCollaboration)*
- 17.30 - 19.00**      *Broadcast of the pre-recorded celebration with LIGO. Remote live streaming: [gwamilestone.com](https://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 greetings**

- 16.35      *Gaetano Manfredi - Italian Minister of Research and University*
- 16.45      *Eugenio Giani - President of Regione Toscana*

#### **Research Institutions**

- 16.55      *Marco Pallavicini - EGO Council President*
- 17.00      *Antoine Petit - President of CNRS, Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique*
- 17.05      *Antonio Zoccoli - President of INFN, Istituto Nazionale di Fisica Nucleare*
- 17.10      *Stan Bentvelsen - Netherlands Organisation for Scientific Research*

#### **Historical and Future Perspectives**

- 17.15      *Raffaele Flaminio – Advanced Virgo + project leader*
- 17.20      *Giovanni Losurdo – Virgo spokesperson*
- 17.30      *Broadcast of the pre-recorded ceremony*
- 19.00      *Unveiling of the IEEE Milestone commemorative plaque at the three sites connected live*