

# The European XFEL

## a Management Challenge

## What is management?

Management is the act of bringing together people and resources for accomplishing a desired goal

It comprises planning, organising, staffing, directing and controlling an organisation

## **XFEL is a fascinating project**

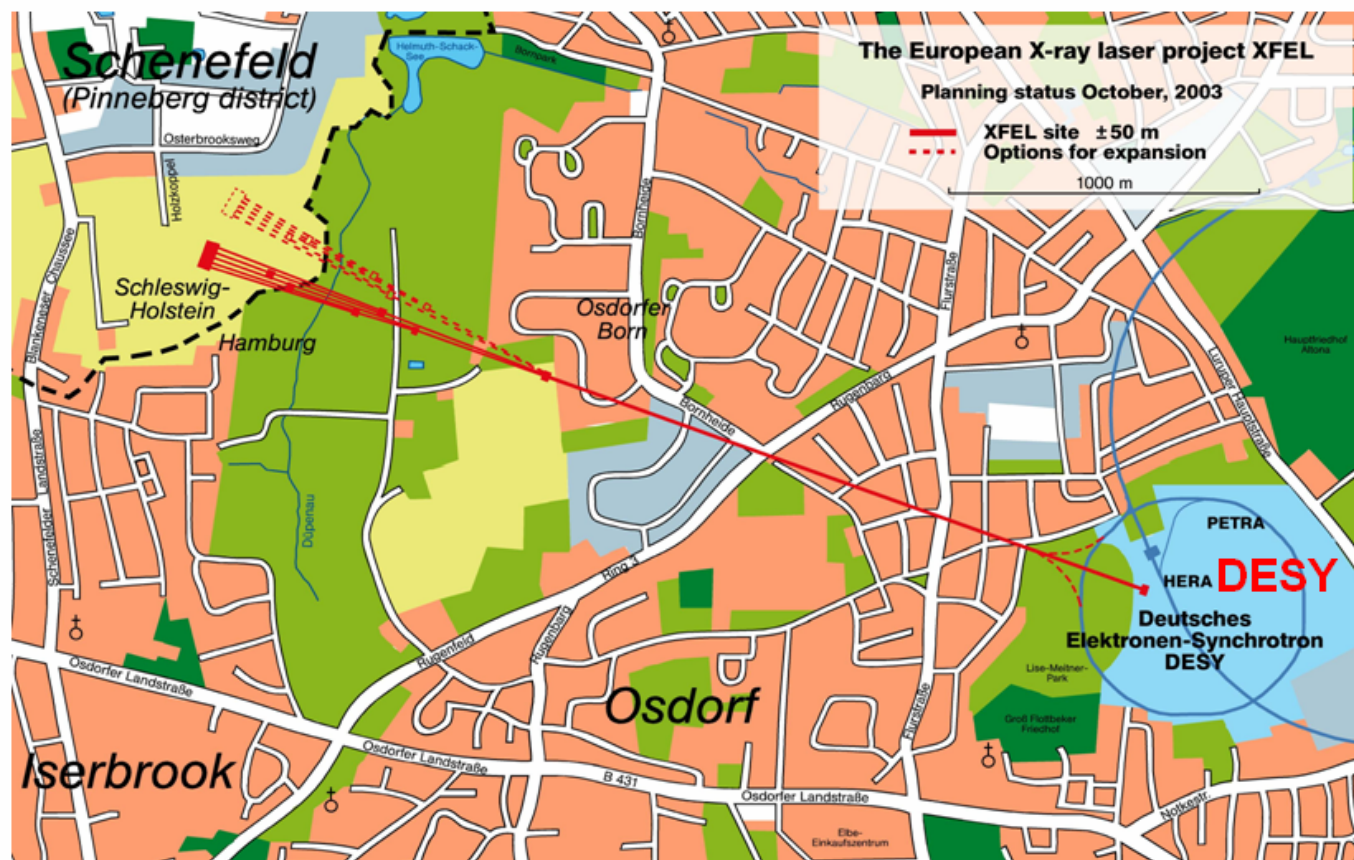
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A political idea

A prototype for decentralised projects

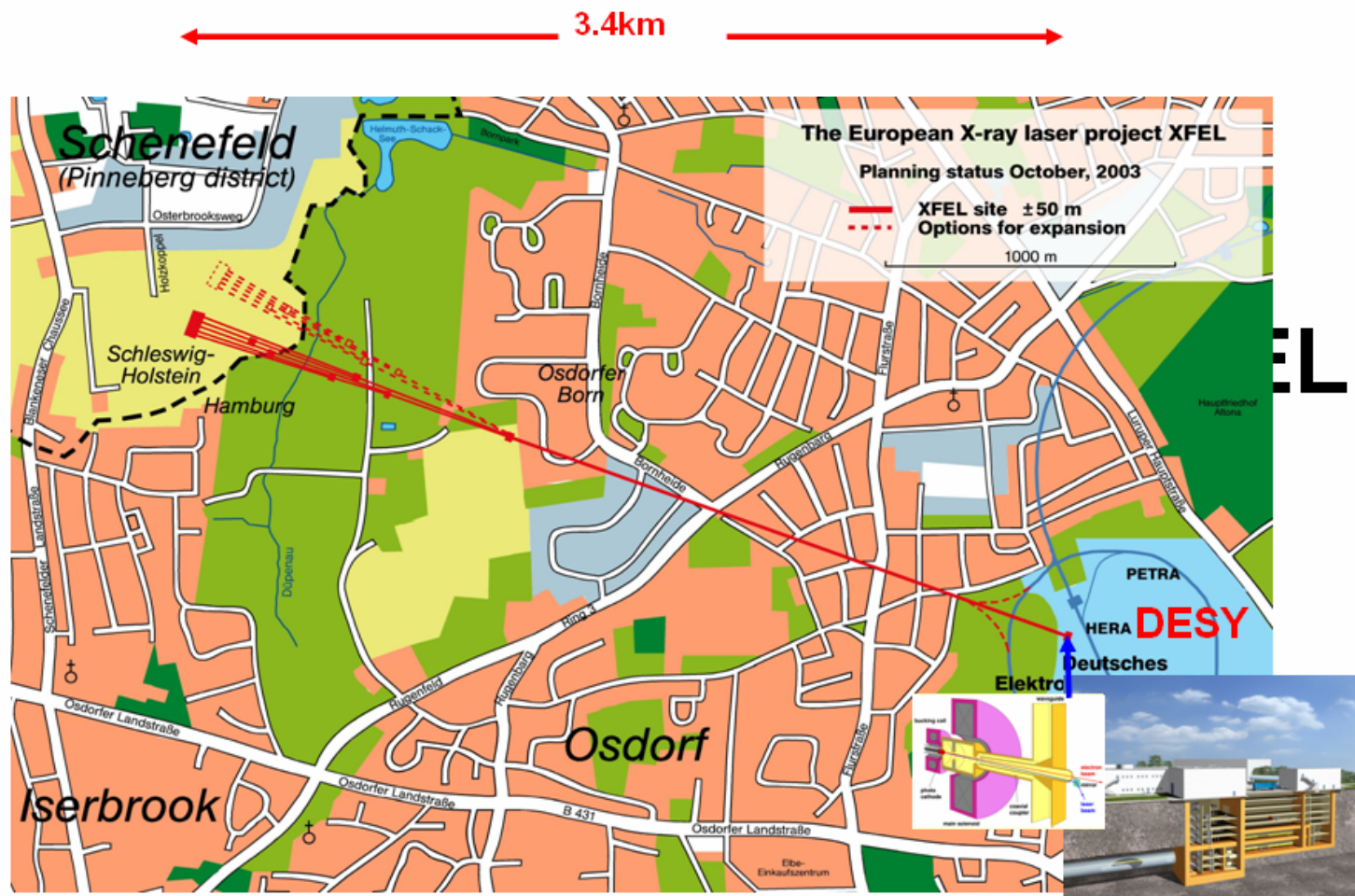
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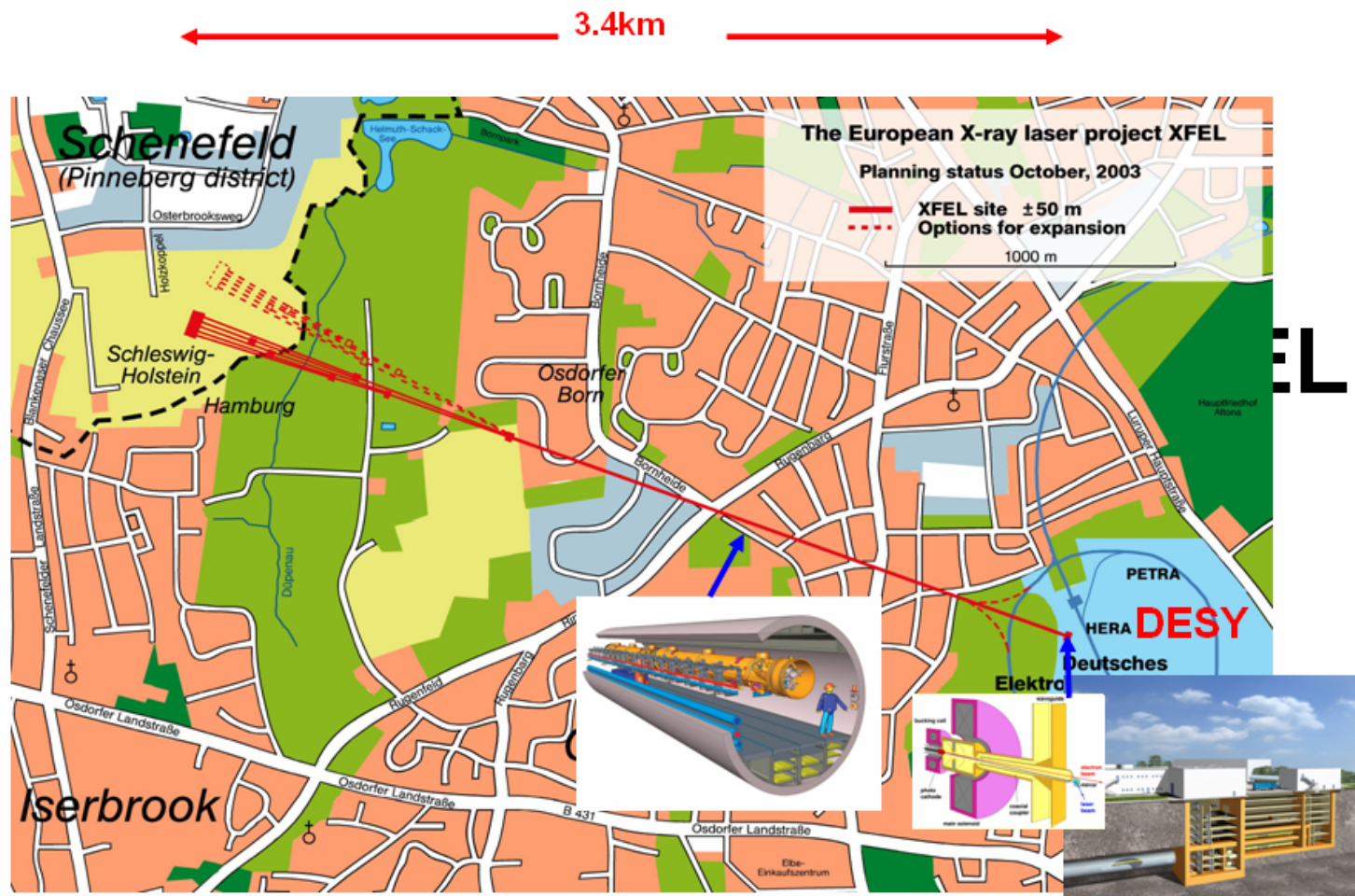
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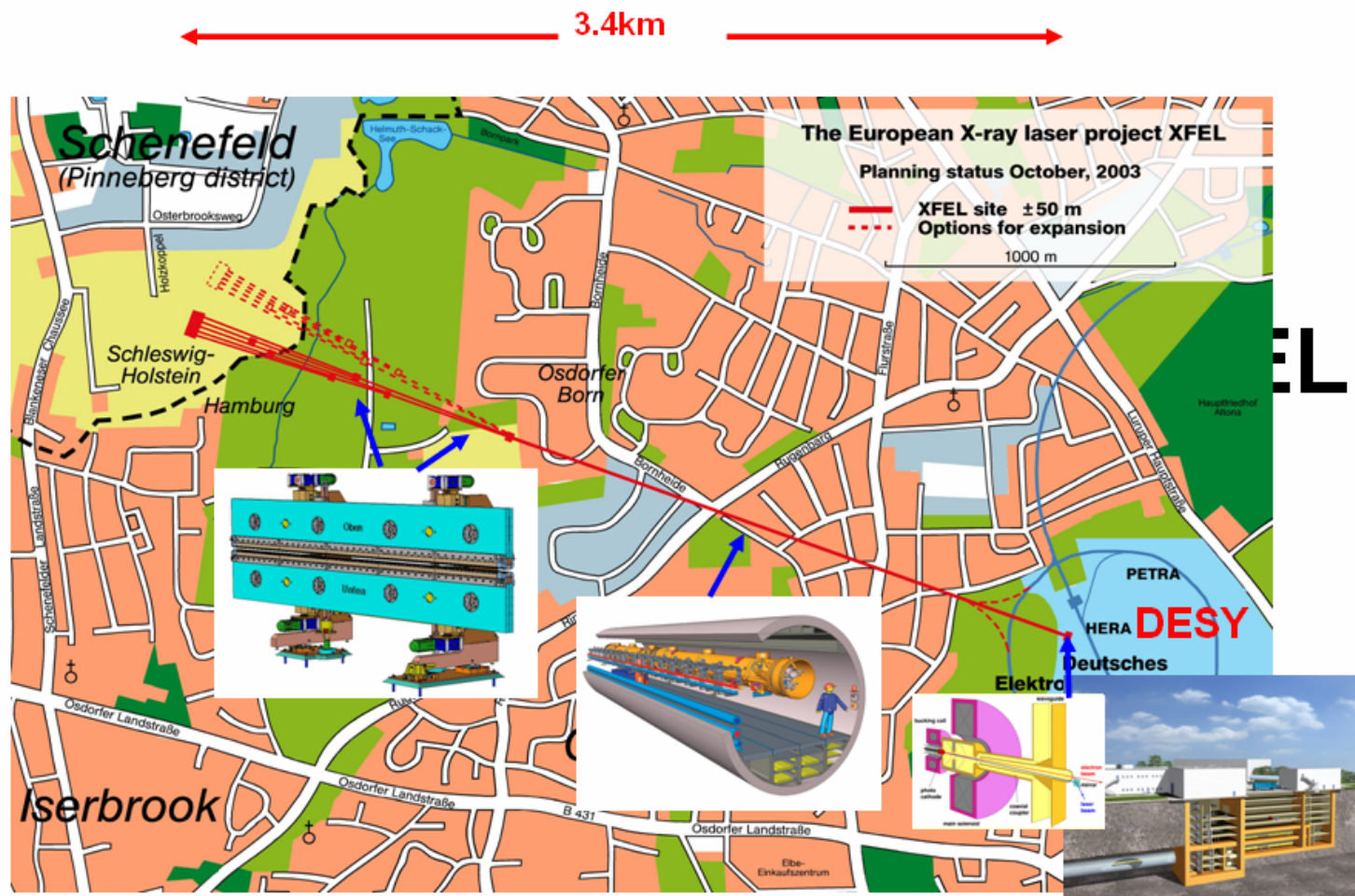


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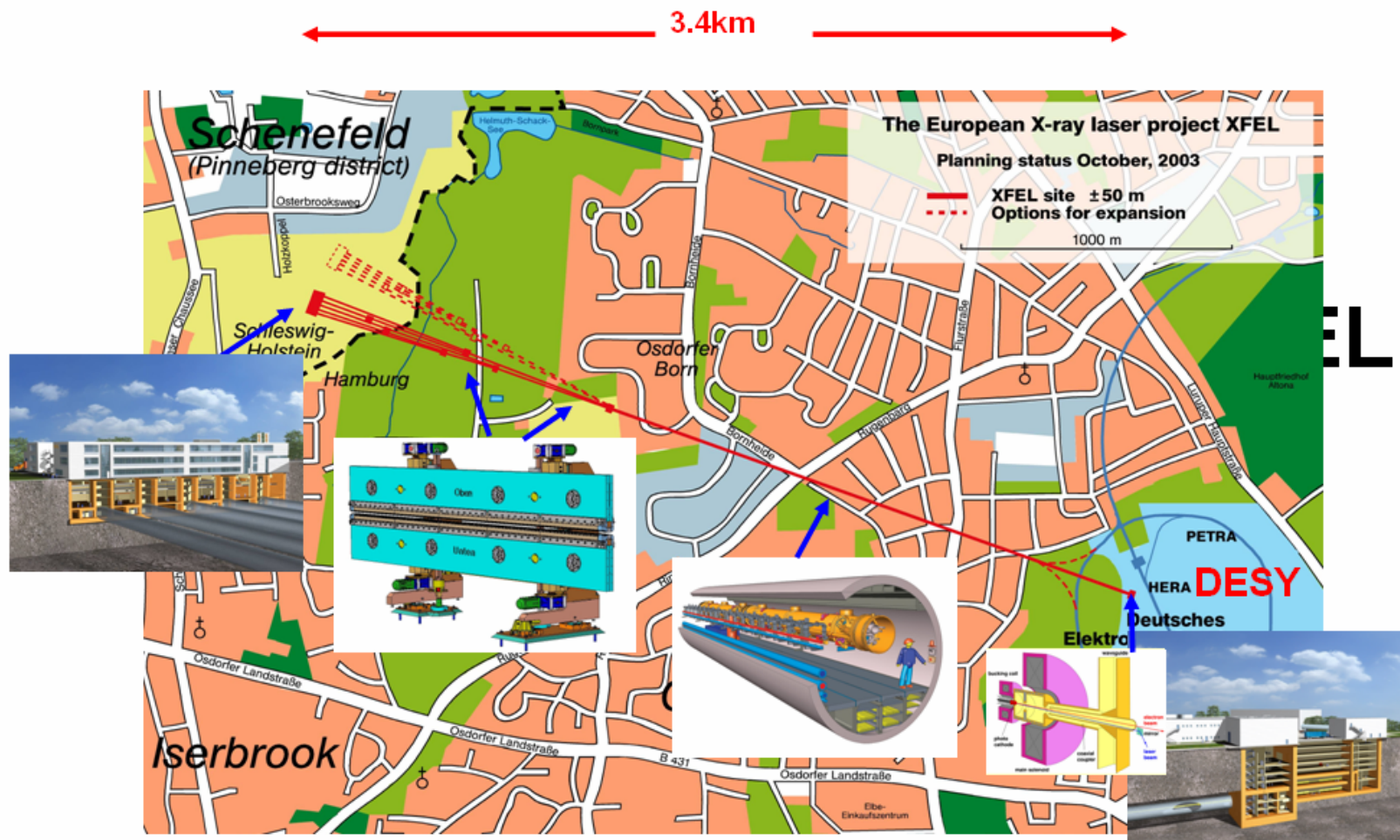


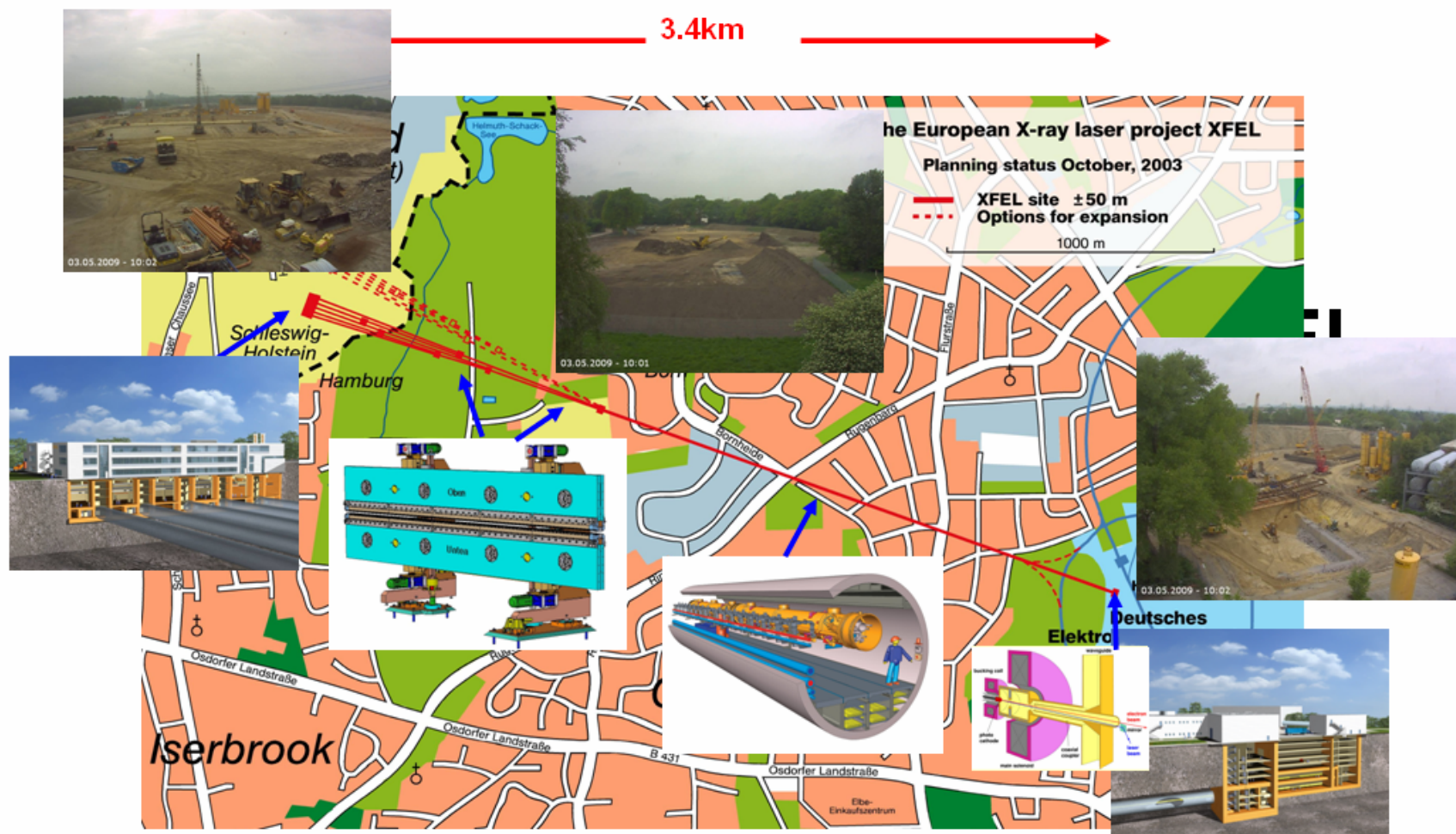




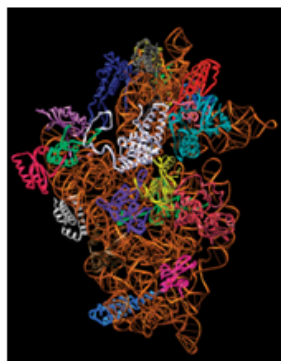




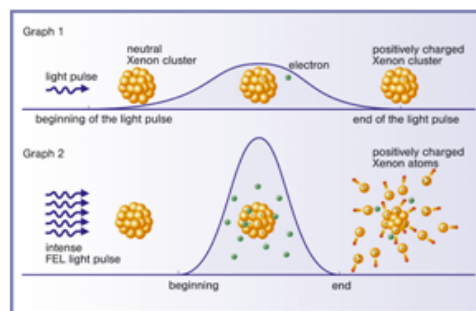




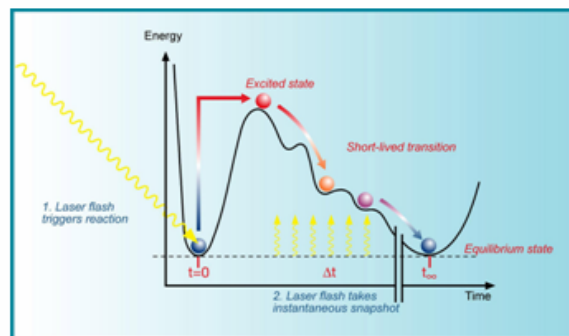
The ultra short (10-50 fs), highly coherent and brilliant XFEL light pulses allow:



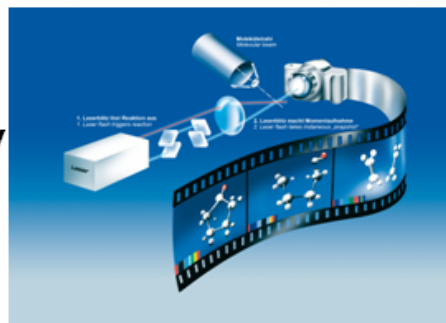
**Structure  
determination**



**Studying exotic  
states of matter  
(like in stellar gases)**



**Femto-Chemistry  
→ Movies**



(The light pulses are about 1000 x shorter &  $10^{10}$  x more brilliant than at latest synchrotrons)



**Currently there are worldwide 3 large X-ray FEL projects:**

**LCLS** (Linac Coherent Light Source), SLAC, USA

-> 120 pulses/s

**SCSS** (Spring-8 Compact SASE Source), Spring-8, Japan

-> 60 pulses/s

**LCLS and SCSS aim to be operational 2009/10**

**XFEL**, DESY, Germany

-> 30.000 pulses/s (**Superconducting Linac**)

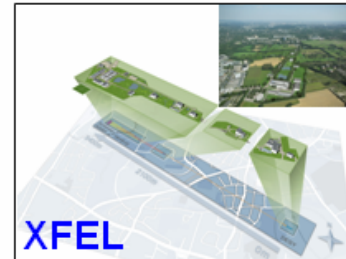
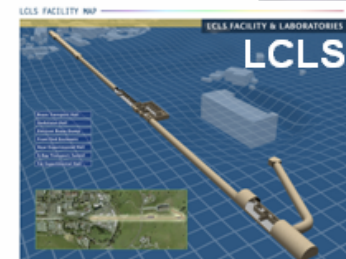
XFEL aims for 'first e-beam' in 2014 and 'ready for users' in 2015

**FLASH** (at DESY), already operating user-facility

-> Sets standards for generating VUV and soft X-ray laser light

-> Sets standards for the scientific exploitation of such radiation

—>  **$\approx 1/10$  of XFEL**





The primary political idea is to launch a new way in Europe for establishing large-scale science projects (ESFRI roadmap)

**14 Countries have decided to build jointly a new international research facility in Europe**

**It shall be owned the contributing countries:**

- **Limited Liability Company**
- **Countries will be shareholders**
- **Lasting rights & obligations**
- **Construction Cost  $\Sigma \approx 1\text{G€}$**
- **In-kind & in-cash**



The primary political idea is not to build a XFEL facility as fast and as cheap as possible → Implications to be understood

What needs to be considered for  
setting up an efficient running project

## XFEL (like practically all large projects) has a long prehistory

- Originating from the TESLA linear collider proposal
- Original TESLA technologies now optimised for XFEL
- Accelerator layout is further developed than the photon part
- R&D has been basically stopped – **Technologies** cores regarded basically "**mature**"
- "Big" new ideas cannot be implemented anymore
- Mass production must be launched → Industrialisation!
- Interfaces and lifecycle issues require now highest attention
- Implementing good QM and Logistics is crucial



# Prehistory & Status – Social

- Prepared by many small working groups and individual people
- Grown structures
- Common and diverting ideas → what and how to realise
- Hard tested emotions and beliefs over the years
- New entities get involved → new ideas, responsibilities must be given away, other methods must be accepted
- "High-Energy Community" shall become a "Photon Science Community"
- Important secondary objectives of stakeholders

Science is highly individuals-related, which is mostly good:  
→ The best 'science brains' have often the best science ideas



"Science Management" is also very individuals-related, which is often not so good:

- The best 'science brains' become loaded with other issues than doing science
- Only few really love it and specialise in it
- Management is handled rather as a practice than as a discipline
- Steering and follow-up styles vary strongly



## **XFEL - A prototype for decentralised projects**

(presently 22 Institutes from 14 Counties)

**Construction activities are highly distributed and strongly interlinked**

Almost all project activities are joint activities of several institutes

**There is no overdominant institution**

Not even the European XFEL Company nor DESY

**Organisational structure must be stand-alone and self-contained**

XFEL is almost like a high-energy physics experiment

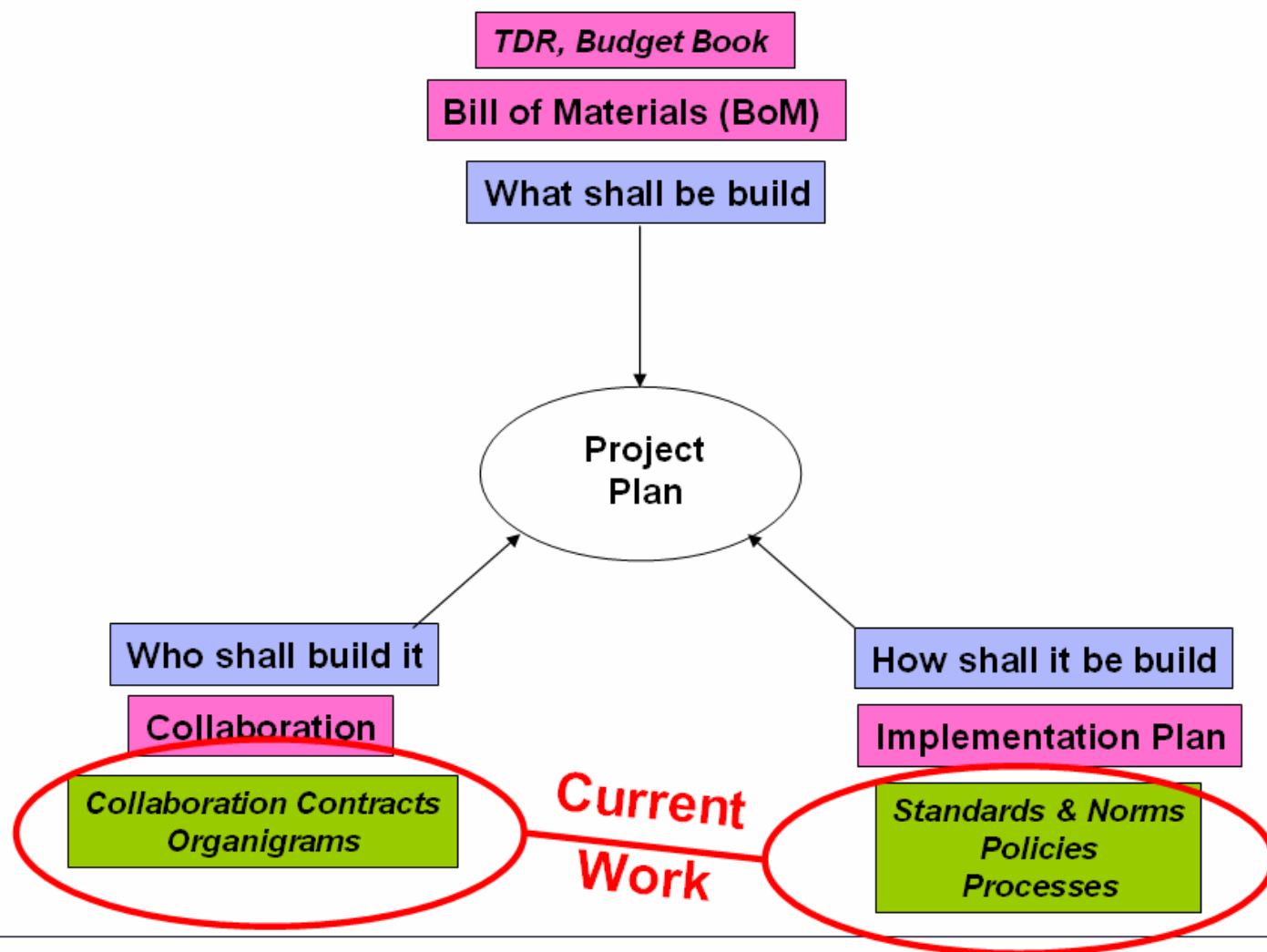


## Wrap-Up

- Demanding technologies must be integrated into a functioning facility
- A complex social situation must be converted into an enthusiastic & focused collaboration
- Individual steering and follow-up must become homogenous  
→ Based on roles and institutionalised processes
- A decentralised project must be made manageable



## How does XFEL tackle its challenges?



**Two stonecutters are working in a quarry.  
Asked what they are doing one said:**

*"I am cutting  
stones."*



**The other said:**

*"I contribute  
building  
a cathedral!"*



**Is XFEL more complex – compared to earlier projects?**

**Number of components is not really higher, BUT:**

- Technologies are higher integrated (software & hardware)
- More design optimisation → 3D Modelling, Simulations, 3D Master Models, UML Models ...
- More legal regulations, more reporting
- More information is exchanged and parallel processed
- More decentralisation → Increased organisational efforts
- More planning in the early project phases – for the benefit of cost efficiency, less change management with the grinding machine and enhanced reliability

**'Things' have advanced & perform more  
→ but also demand more**

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so far WP31-"Civil Construction", WP34-"Utilities"

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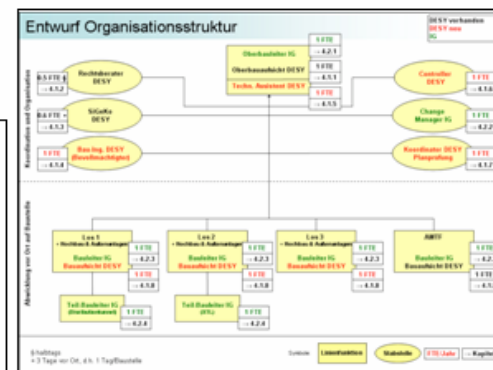
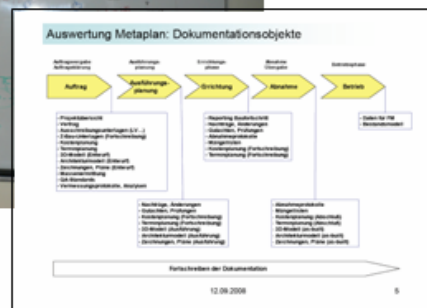
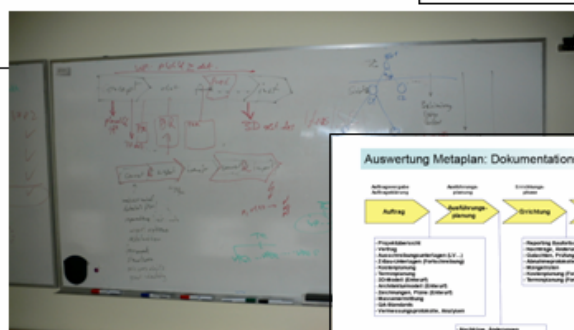
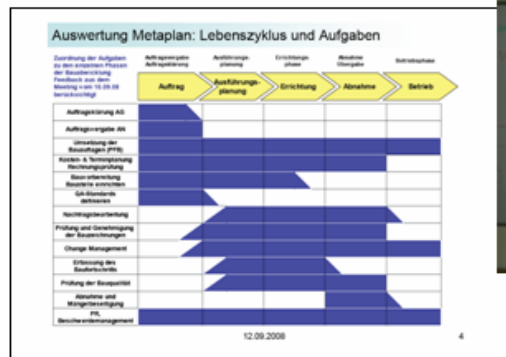
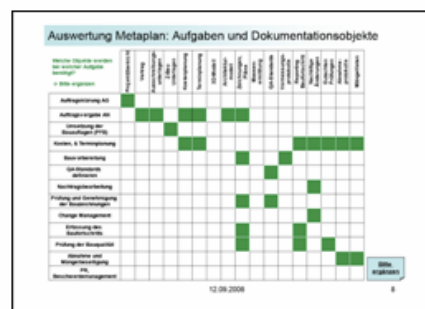
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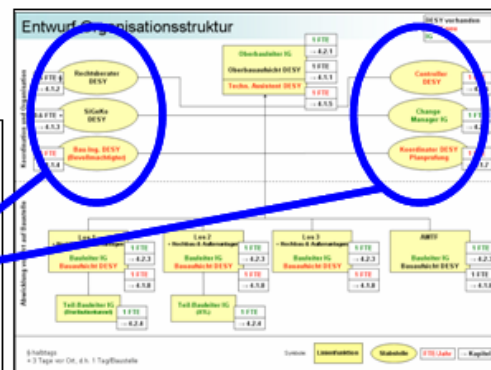
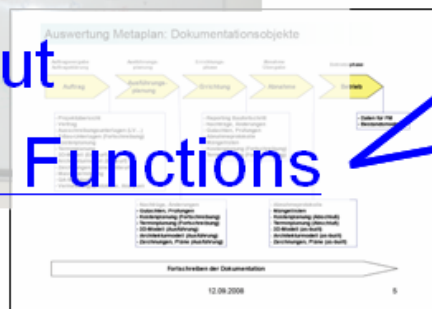
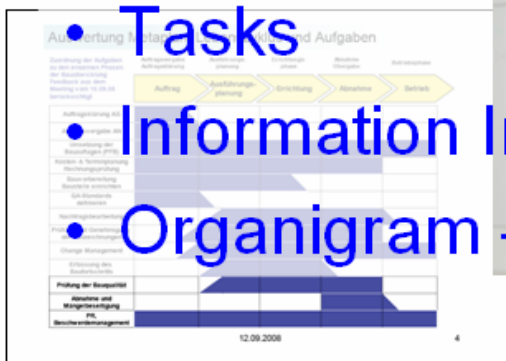
## How to structure:

- Lifecycle Phases

- **Tasks**

- **Information Input/Output**

- Organigram → Lateral Functions



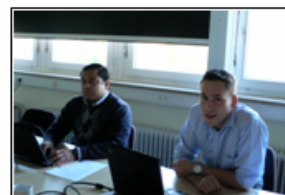
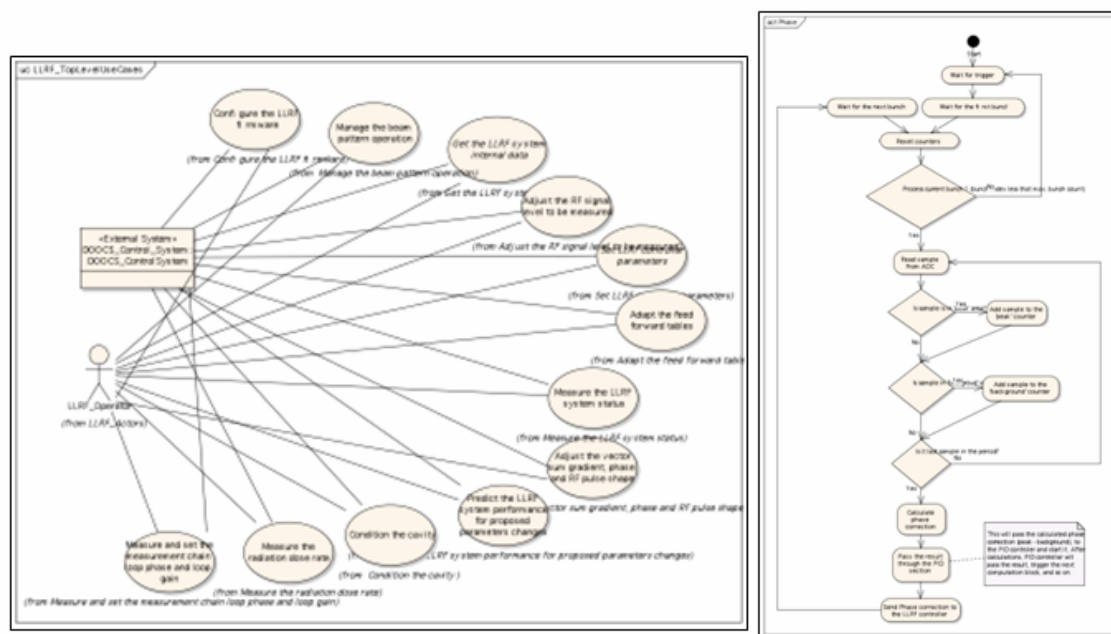


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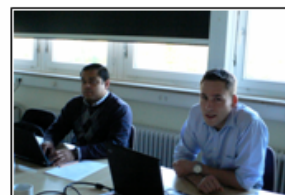
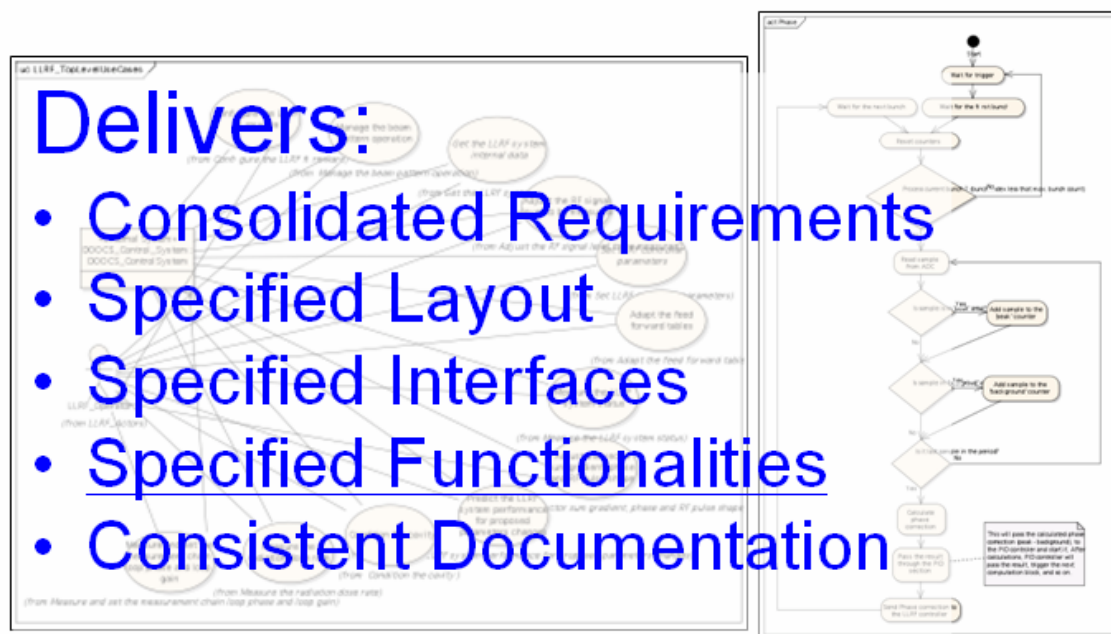
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- Specified Layout
- Specified Interfaces
- Specified Functionalities
- Consistent Documentation



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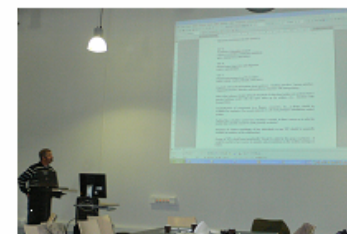
## 3. Collaboration wide issues: CDE-Workshops (Collaborative Design Effort)

(1<sup>st</sup> CDE-WS on 23 & 24 Sep. 2008 – Collaborative Design Processes)(2<sup>nd</sup> CDE-WS on 12 & 13 May 2009 – Technical Reviews Procedures)

Photon Systems



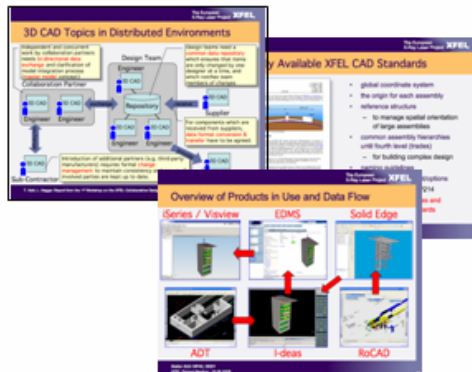
Warm e-Beamlines



Cryogenics



Cold Linac

Concepts  
Presentations

Group Work

Adaptations  
Action Steps

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## **XFEL is on its way to merge 2 concepts**

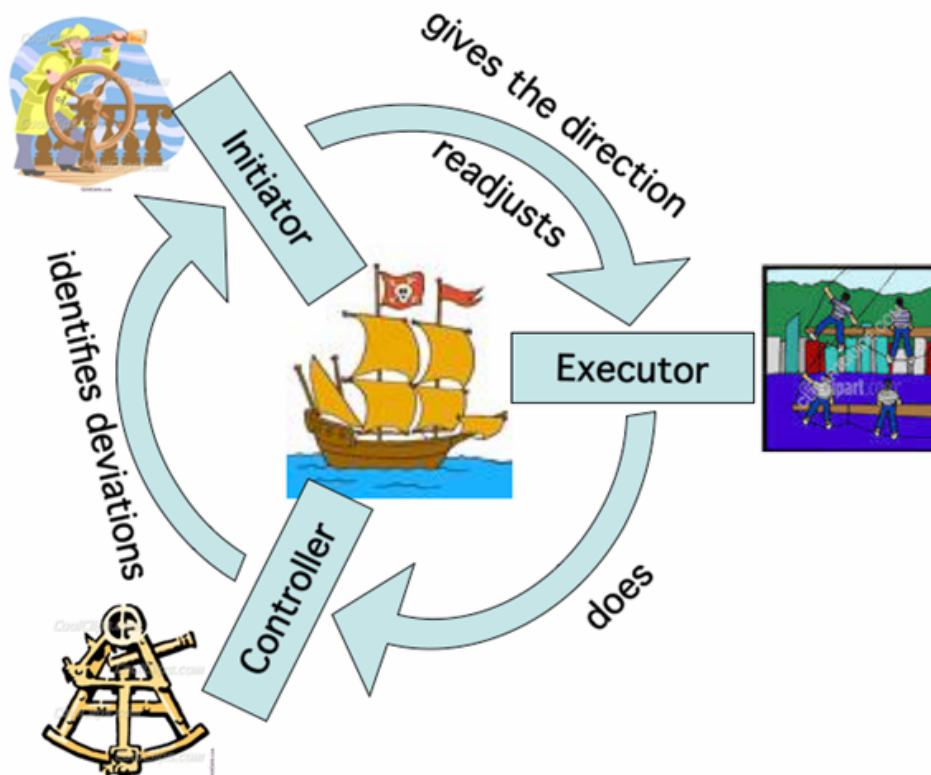
- Principle of Subsidiarity
- Institutionalised Follow-Up

**"Matters ought to be handled by the smallest, lowest or least centralized competent authority!"**

Only relevant issues shall be brought to the attention of the Project Management – Less relevant issues shall be handled by 'lower' entities.  
 → Applying the PoS offers best usage of capabilities and resources

*BUT it requires pre-defined areas of responsibility, which are based on a comprehensive roles model – WITH established roles, interfaces and processes (→ escalation criteria)*

→ And then the respective decision empowerments must be granted and lived (→ roles & process compliance)

Project Follow-Up – A Feedback Circuit – Understand the 'Roles'



## Important issues that need follow-up (among others)

- Technical advancement
- Pending issues
- Risks
- Requirements compliance
- Standards compliance
- Schedule compliance
- Resources usage
- Process compliance



## Institutionalised Controlling Means (basically)

Quality Management:	Structures and provides necessary decision criteria (defines how things shall be done)
Reports:	Examine and monitor the general progress at regular intervals
Reviews:	Examine readiness for/at crucial project phase transitions
Audits:	Verify (on-site) compliance and effectiveness of quality management or other processes (target/actual comparison)
Change Management:	Handles the exceptional issues
Issues Tracking	Handles pending issues & brings them up at regular intervals
Risk Management	Identifies, monitors and helps to limit risks

**To be understood as main steering instruments**

## Non-Institutionalised Controlling Means

Personal Interactions: Feel the pulse within the collaboration, give personal acknowledgement and are a /the 'lubricant'.

Personal interactions are essential. They complement but do not substitute institutionalised means.

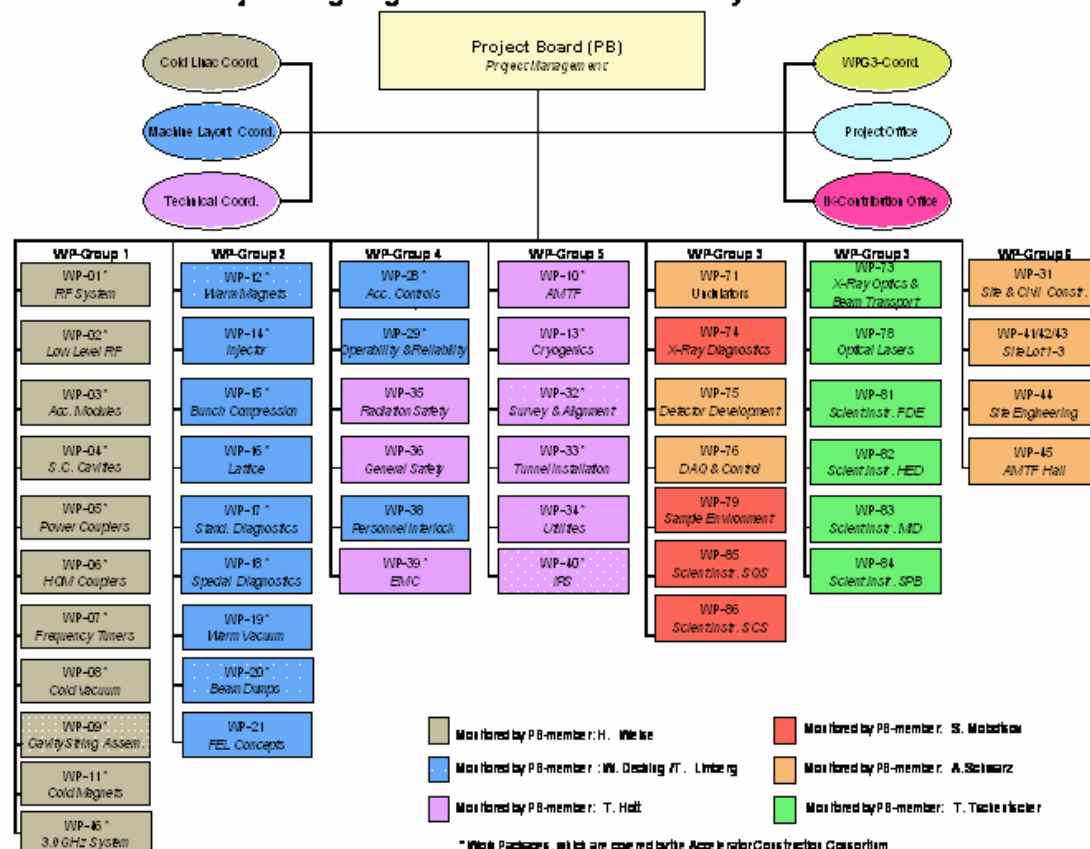
**The bulk of problems/deviations is to be handled via institutionalised paths/processes!**

## TDR (2006): List of Work Packages – but not a real/complete WBS

WPG-1: LIIAC	WPG-2: Accelerator Sub-Systems	WPG-3: Photon Beam Systems	WPG-4: Control and Operation	WPG-5: Infrastructure	WPG-6: Sites and Buildings
W/P-01* RF System	W/P-12* Warm Magnets	W/P-71 Undulators	W/P-28 Acc. Control System	W/P-10* AMTF	W/P-31 Site & Civil Constr.
W/P-02* Low Level RF	W/P-14* Injector	W/P-74 X-Ray Diagnostics	W/P-29* Operability & Reliability	W/P-13* Cryogenics	W/P-41/42/43 Site Lot 1-3
W/P-03* Acc. Modules	W/P-15* Bunch Compression	W/P-75 Detector Development	W/P-35 Radiation Safety	W/P-32* Survey & Alignment	W/P-44 Site Engineering
W/P-04* S.C. Cavities	W/P-16* Lattice	W/P-76 DAQ & Control	W/P-36 General Safety	W/P-33* Tunnel Installation	W/P-45 AMTF Hall
W/P-05* Power Couplers	W/P-17* Stand Diagnostics	W/P-79 Sample Environment	W/P-38 Personnel Interlock	W/P-34* Utilities	
W/P-06* HOM Couplers	W/P-18* Special Diagnostics	W/P-85 ScientInstr. SQS	W/P-39* EMC	W/P-40* IPS	
W/P-07* Frequency Tuners	W/P-19* Warm Vacuum	W/P-86 ScientInstr. SCS			
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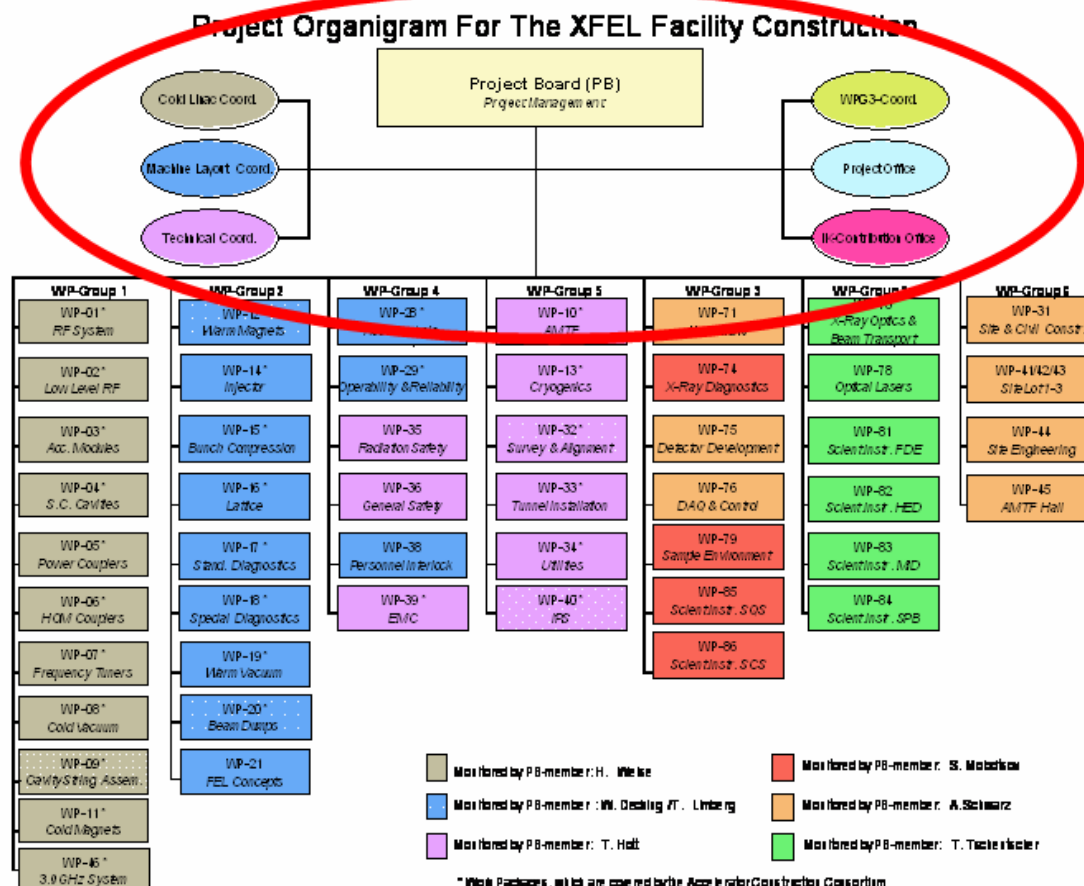
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Project Organigram For The XFEL Facility Construction



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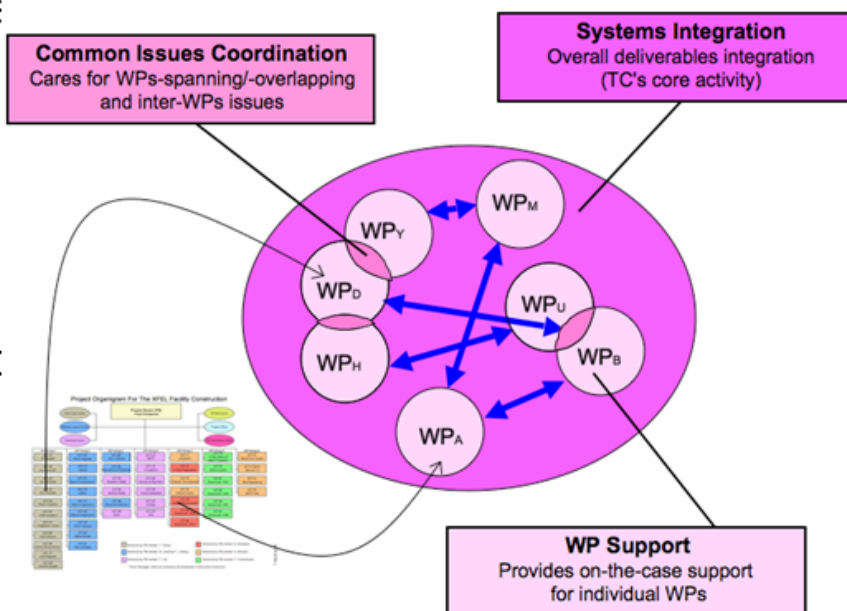
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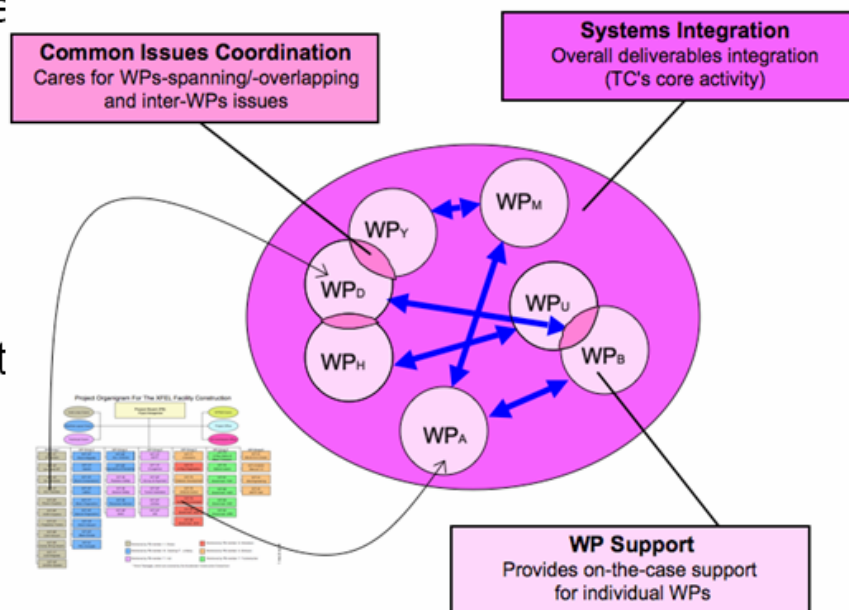
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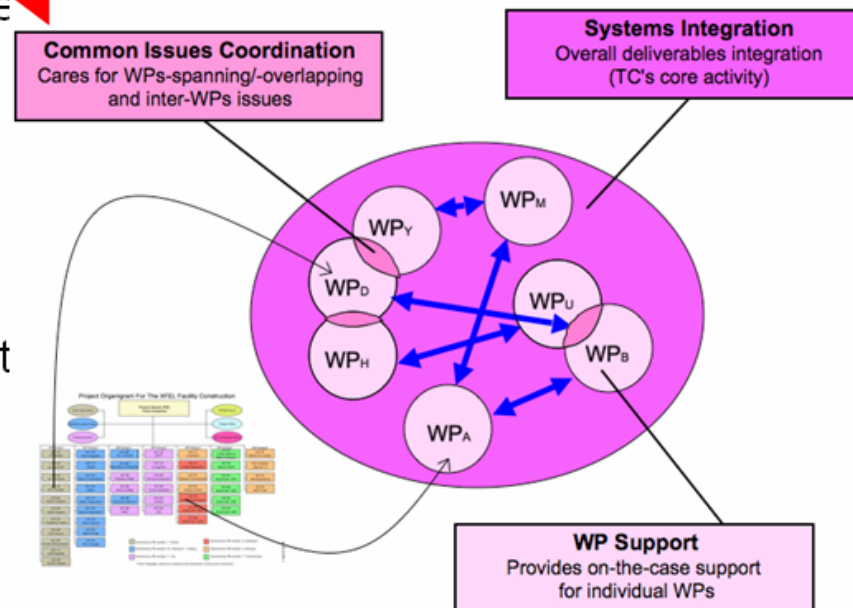
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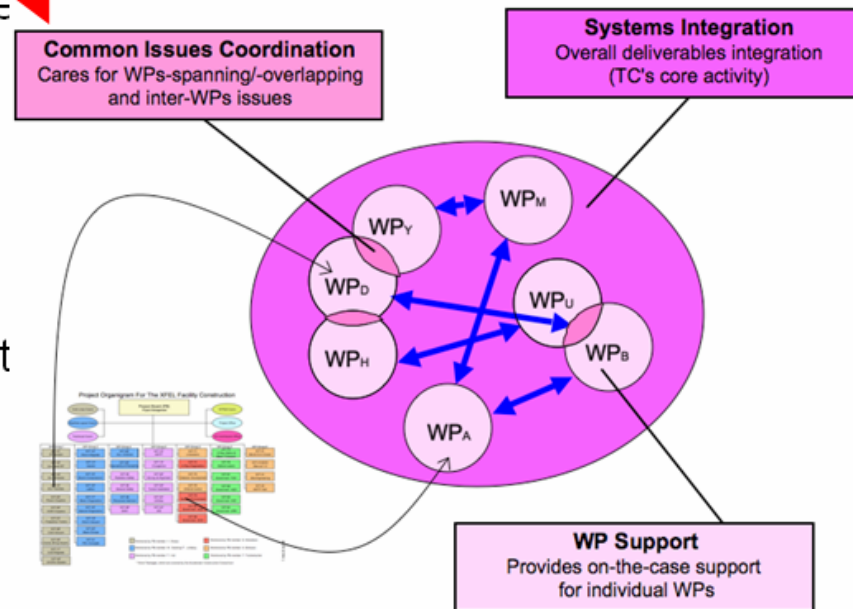
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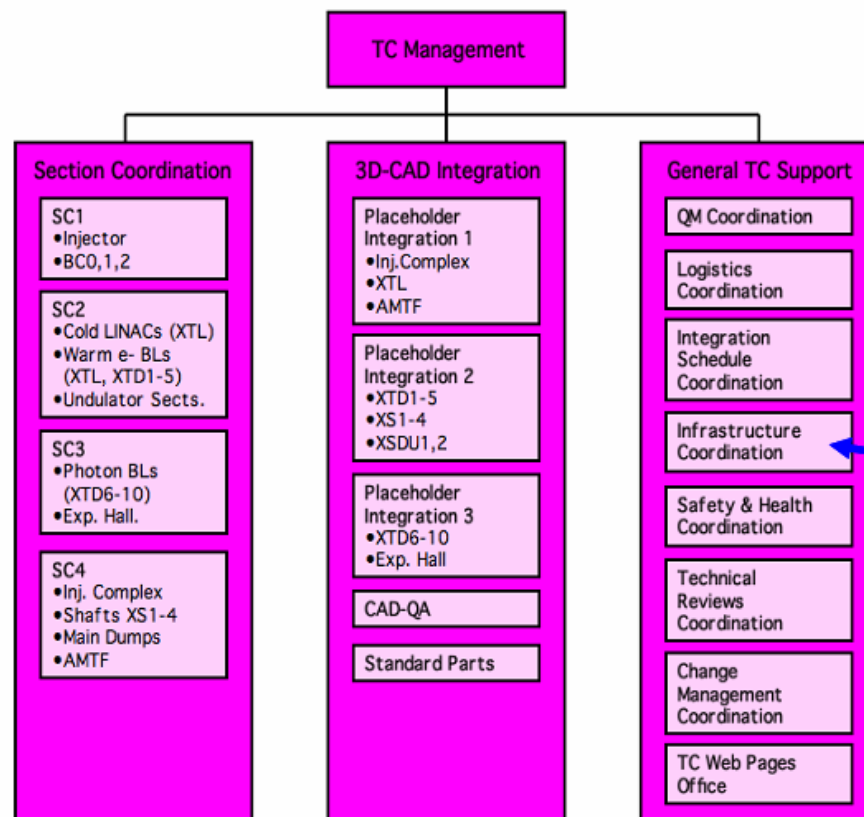
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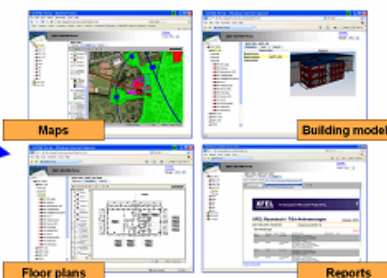




- Conceptual Systems Integration
- Section-Of-Responsibility
- Change Management Leadership
- Installation Workflow Development
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## 4.2 Section Coordination: Results & Benefits

Results	Benefits
Documented and regularly update comprehensive section descriptions	All project entities are always informed about the activities underlying ideas, proposals, requirements and decisions – and can take account of it while designing or installing their deliverables. The information is consistent, valid and up-to-date – will be the reference for the installation, esp. the installation opportunities.
Documented and regularly update section QH policies	All project entities are always informed about QH requirements and policies – and can take account of it while designing or installing their deliverables – will be very important for the installation planning and installation itself. The PM receives all section quality needs are understood and the resulting section quality (e.g. in terms of performance) will be high.

## Section Coordination

- SC1
  - Injector
  - BC0,1,2
- SC2
  - Cold LINACs (XTL)
  - Warm e- BLs (XTL, XTD1-5)
  - Undulator Sects.
- SC3
  - Photon BLs (XTD6-10)
  - Exp. Hall
- SC4
  - Inj. Complex
  - Shafts XS1-4
  - Main Dumps
  - AMTF

## TC Management

## 3D-CAD Integration

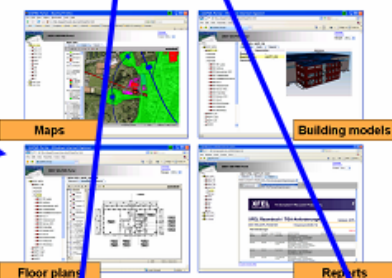
- Placeholder Integration 1
  - Inj. Complex
  - XTL
  - AMTF
- Placeholder Integration 2
  - XTD1-5
  - XS1-4
  - XSDU1,2
- Placeholder Integration 3
  - XTD6-10
  - Exp. Hall
- CAD-QA
- Standard Parts

## 4.1 TC Management: Results & Benefits

Results	Benefits
Regularly review and update section reports	PM is always and directly informed about the integration progress.
Regular TC activity papers and strategy papers	PM is regularly informed about the TC performance as well as about changing needs -> PM is aware proposals for corrective actions. TC can be steered and developed further.
Organized expert TC events (Technical Coordination Meeting, Workshops etc.)	The project receives detailed feedback for the establishment of relevant technical information and to express a common concern.
Established TC internal communication	TC can work effectively and efficiently. Results:

pre-defined  
verifiable  
"Results"

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## 4.4 General TC Support: Results & Benefits

Results	Benefits
Documented policies	All project entities receive comprehensive information about the general QH needs and strategies and can account for them in their activities. Planning enhances the WFP and overall efficiency, as well as deliverables and facility quality. Problems get identified as the earliest possible stage and corrective actions can be initiated early.
Documented reports	PM is aware all QH needs are identified and accounted for systematically by all project entities, esp. future needs are identified. Feedback is given as to all concerned parties, follow-up or corrective actions can be initiated. WFP know which conditions and policies are important for their contributions.

## 4.3 3D-CAD Integration: Results & Benefits

Results	Benefits
Regularly updated 3D model	WFP and TC interact regularly. Coordination and information exchange are institutionalized and the entire process streamlined - provide process consistency and enhance the overall efficiency effectiveness.
Regularly updated valid 3D model	All project entities are aware of all deliverables and its consistency in the XFEL facility. Planning activities are provided/confirmed consistently (WFP become early and quickly identified, communication is facilitated. WFP can work efficiently). The present integration and planning status is always fully available for all project entities, also for all non-CAD users.



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# Summary: Key Messages



- Understand & reveal complexity
- Identify/define the Work Breakdown Structure (WBS)
- Establish an organisational structure based on roles & 'Principle of Subsidiarity'
- Institutionalise communication & project follow-Up
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**Plan the implementation,  
implement the plan!**