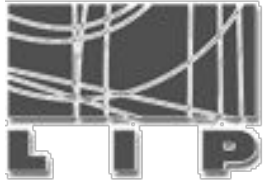


Competence Center in Monitoring and Control - Status Update -

F. Neves on behalf of the CCMC

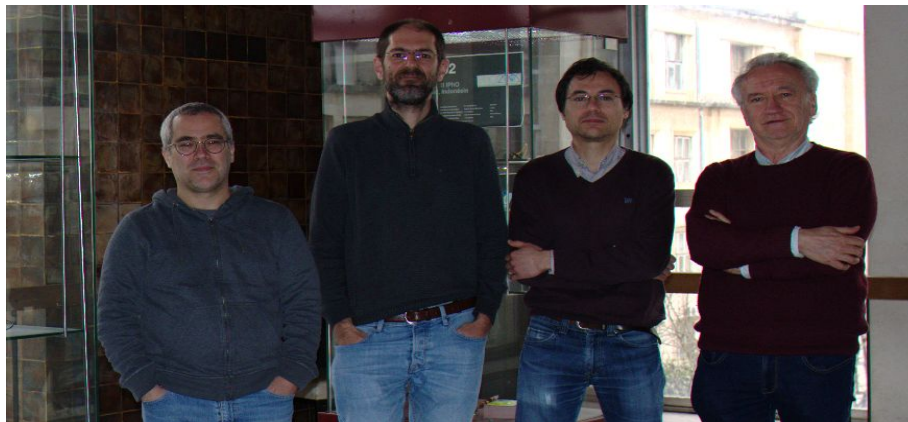
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Objectives + Core Team

The Competence Center in Monitoring and Control (CCMC) is intended to:

- Gather the accumulated **expertise in sensors, electronics and software** used in Monitoring and Control (aka “Slow Control”) by several experiments where **LIP** participate and have direct responsibilities;
- **Facilitate the sharing of know how**, solutions in electronic and software design among **LIP persons/groups**:
 - Reduce development and delivery times;
 - Better debugging and quality control;
- **Establish partnerships/contracts with third parties** (e.g. other laboratories, industry) where our scientific deliverables can be reused.
 - Avoid time/costs associated of development of new products.

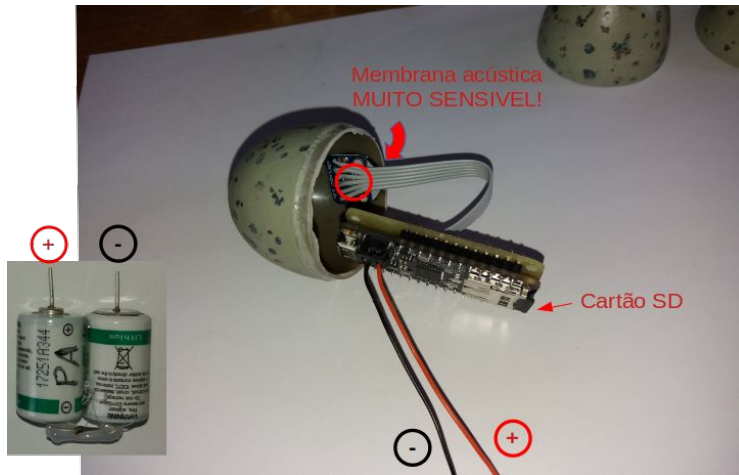


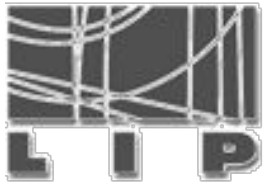
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Temperature and heart monitor (ext.): ECOTOP Group (2019)

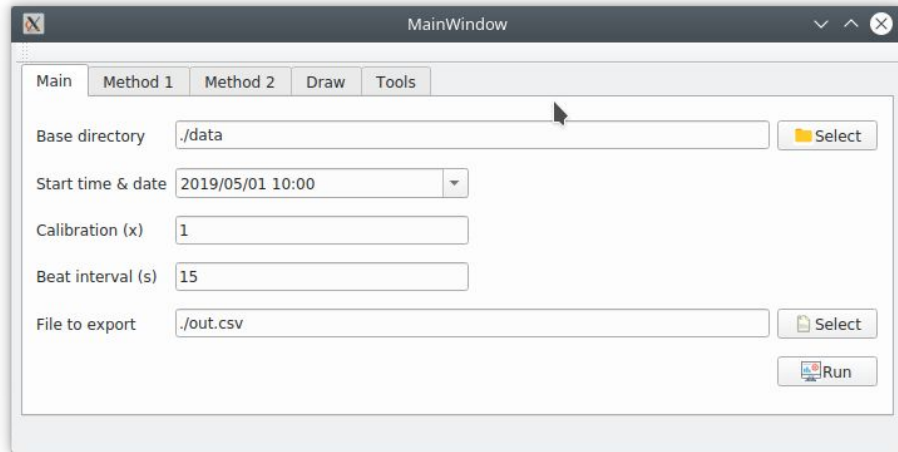
- **Field testing and final delivery** of the non-invasive devices (**version 1, x2 units**) for the monitoring of the temperature and heart rate of birds during nesting in their natural habitat;
- Acquisitions (by ECOTOP group) in 3 different sites (Algarve, Berlengas and Porto);
- The **co-analysis** of the data allowed to identify some issues (e.g. drift of the Arduino clock frequency with temperature and from device to device) which were/are being addressed in **version 2** of the hardware (see next slides);



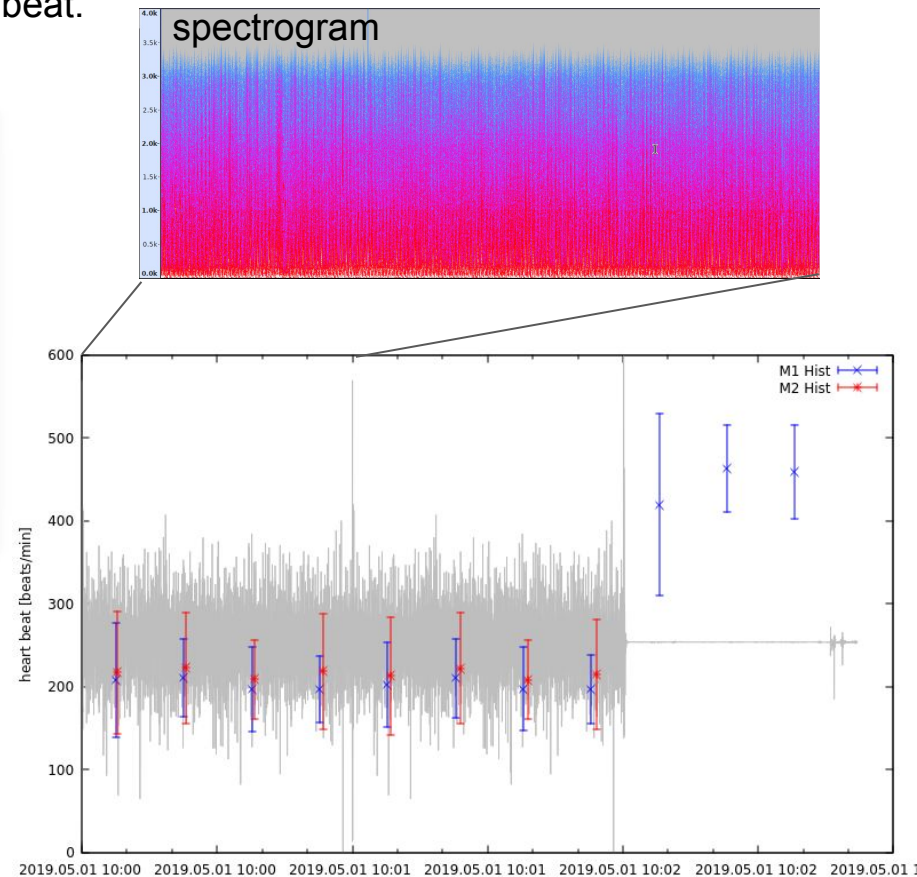


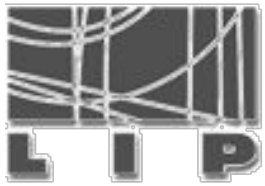
Analysis Software (ext.): ECOTOP Group (2019)

- Develop a **software tool** to extract and process information from the **temperature and heart rate monitors** developed for the ECOTOP group (MARE UC):
 - filter ambient noise;
 - detect the presence of birds and their heart beat.
- LIP will co-author published analysis.



- Implements 2 different heart beats analysis methods:
 - **Method 1** uses a sliding window threshold finder;
 - **Method 2** uses the Pulse Finder developed for LZ by the LIP DM Group.





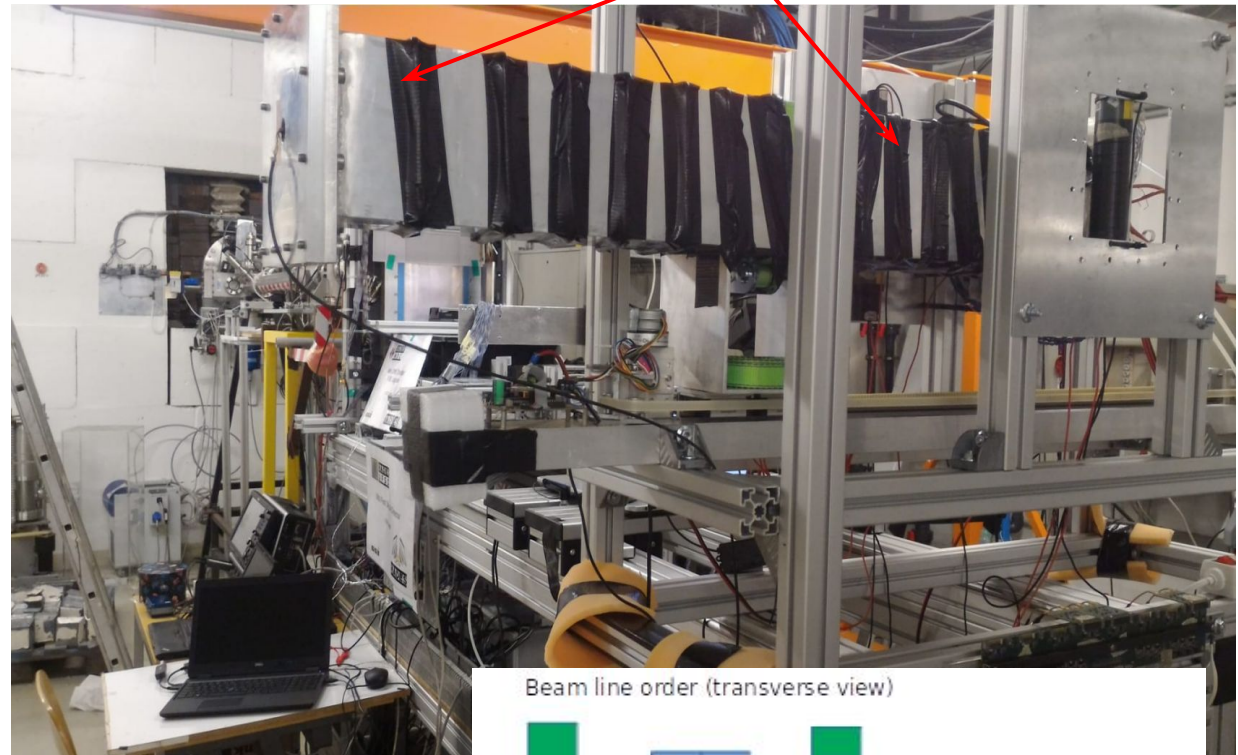
Collaboration with the RPC HADES Group (2019)

RPC + heating system for count rate improvement

Objective:

- Check efficiency and timing accuracy (as a function of the detector working temperature) of the future TOF detector for the forward region of the **HADES** spectrometer

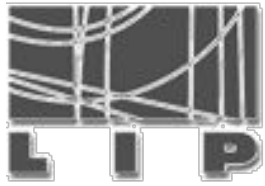
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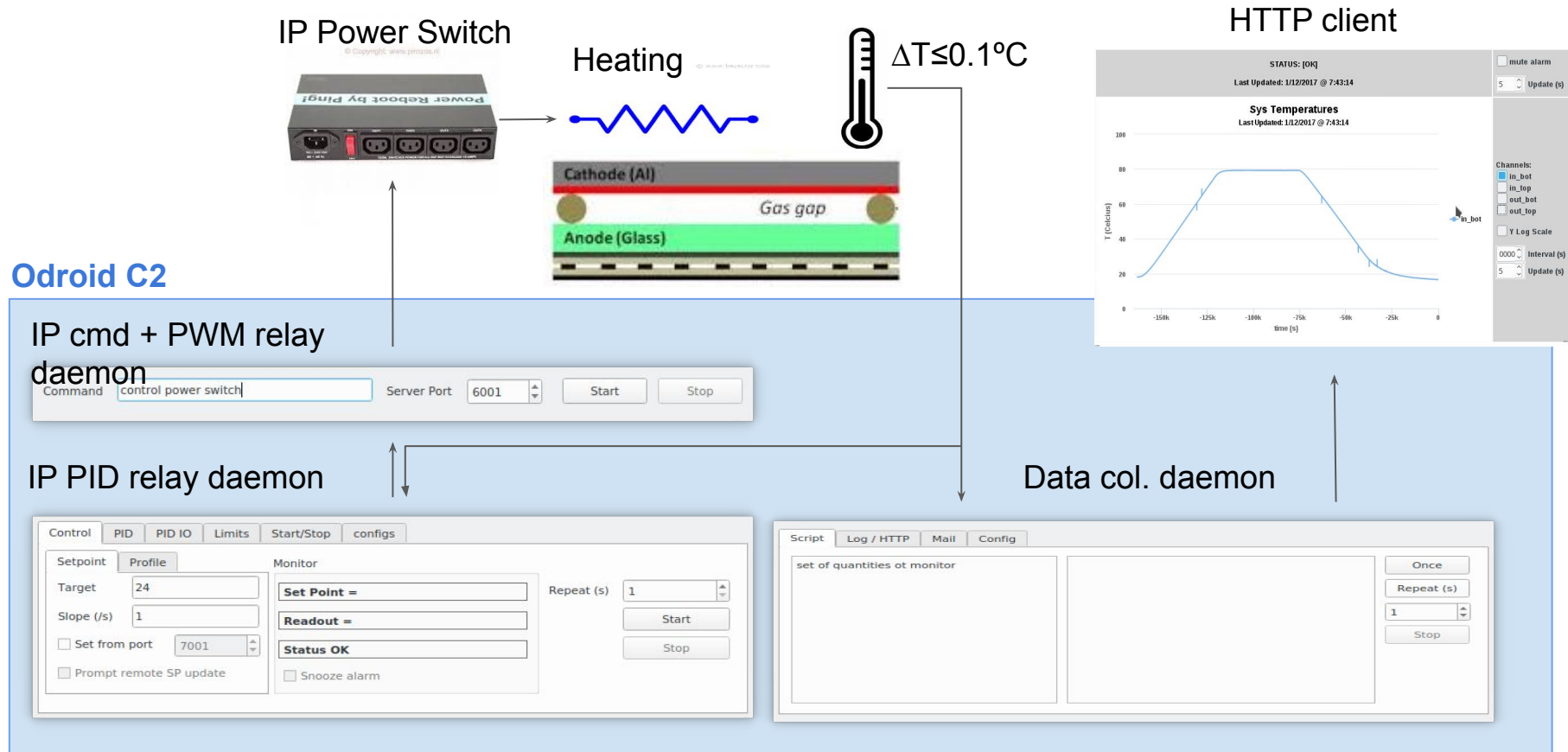
Beam line order (transverse view)



2.7 GeV/c protons



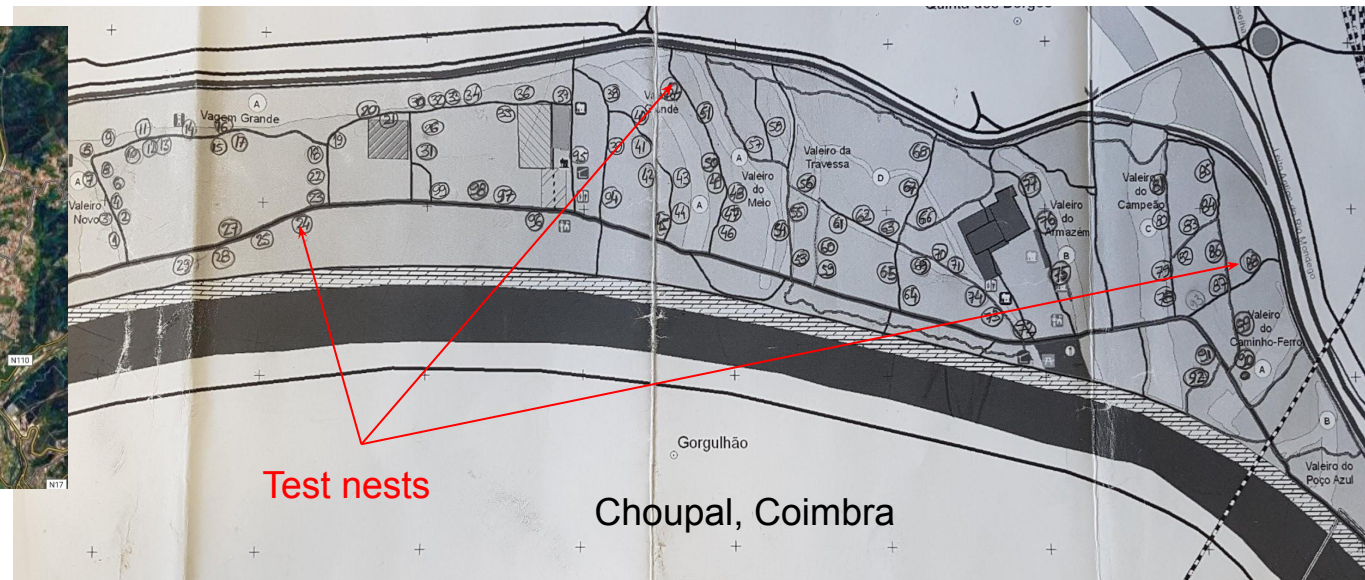
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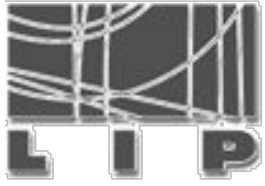


- **Modular framework** allowing to virtually “assemble” **any monitor+control** infrastructure (LXe Group);
- **Plots/alerts** readily available through a HTTP Client for any quantity collected;

Artificial Nests (ext.): ECOTOP Group (2020)

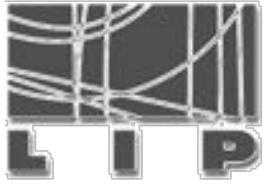
- Develop and build a device to **control and monitor** ambient parameters of nests installed in the natural habitat of birds (e.g. temperatura, pressure, sound);
- A set of these devices will be installed **scatter over a large forest area** aiming at studying potential **effects of the temperature increase** associated with **climate changes** in the nesting of birds;
- Evaluation of technical solutions underway with ECOTOP;





Other activities (2020)

- Continue to mature the **software framework** currently being developed and **benchmark** it within the activities of one or more **LIP groups**. A thorough testing of the software in real conditions is crucial to ensure its robustness before its deployment to third parties;
- Field testing of **version 2** of the devices for **monitoring the temperature and heart rating** of birds before the final product delivery to ECOTOP (schedule for mid March, x10 units);
- Install an environmental monitoring system for the server room at LIP-Coimbra;
- Participation at the event "**Techdays: Building our future**" in Aveiro, in the context of the work developed with the group ECOTOP from the MARE-UC institute. This participation presents also an opportunity to **expose the CCMC** to other **opportunities and potential clients**;
- Organize a workshop on "Monitoring and Control for scientific and industrial applications" (last quarter of the year). The event aims not only at disseminating LIP-CCMC's capabilities but also at getting a better insight on the needs of potential clients and/or partners.
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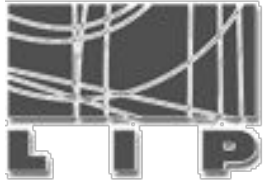


Other activities (2020)

- **NEW!** ECOTOP/MARE-UC proposed LIP/CCMC a joint participation in a PTDC project in which both the monitors, software and artificial nest (see previous slides) would be included. Needs:
 - Definition of the terms of our participation;
 - Evaluation of LIP manpower/resources availability;
 - ... make a decision *ASAP!*

... Great!





Swat & Future

Strengths

- A large body of knowledge (e.g. software, electronics);

Opportunities

- The ability to deploy very **high quality and personalized** products and services;

Weaknesses

- Do not have (explicitly) **allocated FTEs or resources**;

Threats

- The ability to **meet deadlines** and ensure the **manpower** required;

CCMC/LIP **doesn't have out of the shelf products**, so before production (e.g. MW, DL) there is the need to personalize/adapt our tools to the client requirements: that demands **availability of human resources**, which is our current worst Achilles' heel...