DE609: Norderstedt

Report of the Bielefeld-Hamburg LOFAR station





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DE609?

- Construction: Late 2014
- First Light: January 20, 2015
- ► In Production since February 04, 2015





Station Features: Electronics

- GLOW interface server (For central single station use of GLOW stations)
- ▶ UPS for the clock
- ▶ 3 webcams + archive
- Monitoring server and sensor board (based on old LCU)



Station Features: Pest Control

- Rodents (Mice and Rabbits)
 - 'Julen' to attract predatory birds
 - Bricks on LBA groundplanes
 - Smaller mesh for airco grid
 - Tubing for LBA strings
 - New in 2019: Cats!
- ► Larger animals (Deer and Humans)
 - ▶ Wooden station fence
 - ► Information boards
 - Regular checks by security firm









Maintenance Report

Regular maintenance:

- ► Hands on station: Nils Böhmer New in 2019: Christian Martens → repairs, airco checks, ...
- Grass mowing by landlord
- ► In 2019: ASTRON on site



Maintenance Report

Station damages / defects:

- Network downtimes (planned and broken optics)
- Water in container: condensation water from airco
- Bird pick holes in HBA
- Some rodent damage
- Some decay (wooden fence)
- Some vegetation (small trees in HBA)





Observing System: GLOW Mode

- Interface server in each station
- Two backends
 - ► GLOW cluster (hosted in Jülich) 2019: added 5 nodes
 - \rightarrow now serves all 6 GLOW stations
 - Bonn Backend (lofarXN)
- (Largely) automated scheduling, observing, and preprocessing
- 2019: Web-based GUI, triggered observations, automated handover
- Observations with all 6 German stations
 - Mainly pulsar timing: monitoring 110 pulsars, 20 MSP
 - For GLOW and as service for ILT



Other Activities

- GLOW website: www.glowconsortium.de
- Applied for further funding: D-LOFAR 2.0
- Collaborations:
 - D-MeerKAT
 - ► National Research Data Infrastructure (Astro-NFDI)
 - Bielefeld Center for Data Science (BiCDaS)
 - Verein für datenintensive Radioastronomie (VdR)





That's all. Thanks!



GLOW Observatory

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<u></u>	GLOW Stations
<u>-</u>	Scheduling

OBSERVING DAEMONS STATION

ONLINE BACKEND DE601 DE602 DESCO ■ No

MPIR Bonn Select Schedule... MPIR Bonn Select Schedule... Select Schedule. DE605 2017-07-07_DE605 DE604 ■ No FZ Juelich Select Schedule...

FZ Juelich

SCHEDULE

Processing Data Inspection

Observing

Hardware Monitoring
Frontend Settings

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DAEMON ON/OFF

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DAEMON BUSY

■ No

■ No

■ No

■ No

■ No

■ No