

## Radio Observatory Report

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# Developments of the Observing System

- CS017: part of the array
- CS301: problems with network
- CS306: problems with RSP board #4
  
- Detailed tests of ITRF Beamsolver ongoing.
  - Tests with all HBA modes (HBA\_ZERO, HBA\_ONE, HBA\_DUAL, HBA\_JOINED)
- Continuing calibration observations of all stations for LBA\_INNER (RCU mode 3&4).
  
- **MS number is now L2010\_2000\***
- MS names changed so that the subband number is always a three-digit number (i.e. SB001.MS, SB002.MS, ...);

## Busy Week request form:

Observatory "White Board" in Wiki ([http://www.lofar.org/operations/doku.php?id=operator:current\\_station\\_overview](http://www.lofar.org/operations/doku.php?id=operator:current_station_overview)) <http://www.astron.nl/radio-observatory/astronomers/commissioning/commissioning-plan>

# Use of the Offline Cluster

## Commissioners:

- please clear up your work area in the Compute Nodes when finished:
  - Particularly if you have copied a sideband of raw data
  - any previous iterations of (N)DPPP
  - clear out any data used for "educational purposes"
  - notify support scientists if datasets are ready to be archived.
- Datasets in the Storage nodes:
  - Please notify support scientists/observers when you are satisfied with NDPPP-ed data, to *remove* raw data from storage nodes.
- **IMPORTANT:** Lots of data from previous busy weeks - Please DELETE THEM

## REMINDER

PLAN: During observations requiring high data-rates, the storage disks will not be NFS mounted to the compute nodes.

*Advanced warning will be given to users*

*Please communicate with the radio observatory ([sciencesupport@astron.nl](mailto:sciencesupport@astron.nl)) if you need to run an intensive job yourselves.*



# CALENDAR of requested busy weeks and other LOFAR activities

<http://www.astron.nl/radio-observatory/astronomers/commissioning/commissioning-plan>

- 6 September : CEP stopday
- 13-17 September : Imaging Busy Week (Dwingeloo)
- 23 September : LOFAR Network Meeting (Garching)
- 4 October : CEP Stopday
- 11-15 October : LOFAR Data School
- 18-22 October : Magnetism KSP Busy Week (Dwingeloo)
- 1 November : CEP stopday
- 1-5 November : Pulsar Busy Week (Dwingeloo)



# Schedule: June - July 2010

Tue		Wed		Thu		Fri	
30	31	1 Sep		2	3		Fri
0 - 24hrs		ent workshop					2
6	7	8	9	10			
RO Outing							9
13	14	15	16	17			
	(10:00) eVLBI 15Sep 10:00 - 16Sep 10:00						16
20	21	22	23	24			
Manchester		LOFAR Network Meeting (Garching)					23
27	28	29	30	1 Oct			
	Effelsberg in Stand-Alone mode - BG						30
Pulsar busy week #9							