

GLORIA PROJECT COMMUNITY OPEN DAY

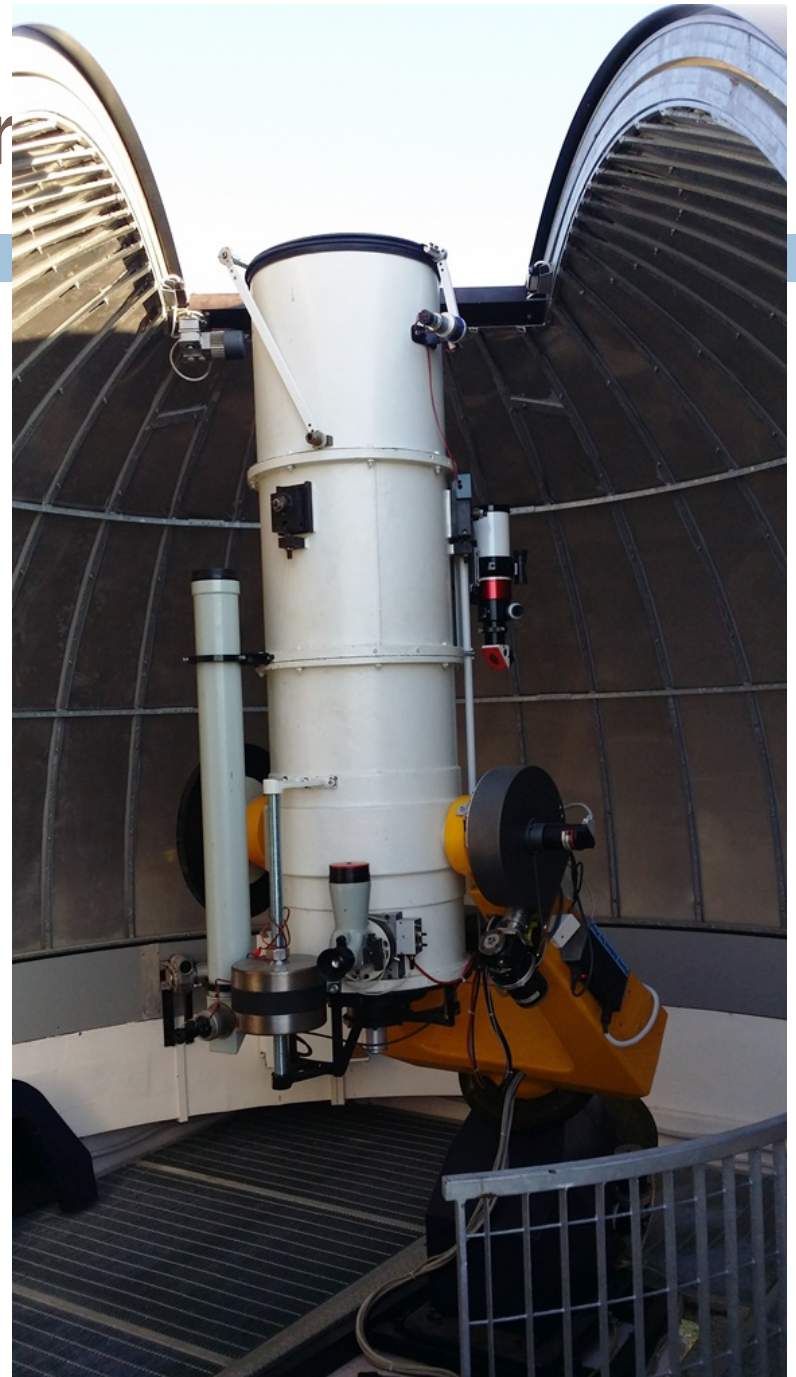
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Teramo Observatory

- The Teramo Observatory is provided with three telescopes (72-cm and 40-cm reflectors, plus a H-alpha solar refractor) equipped with focal plane instrumentation and devoted to remote observations.

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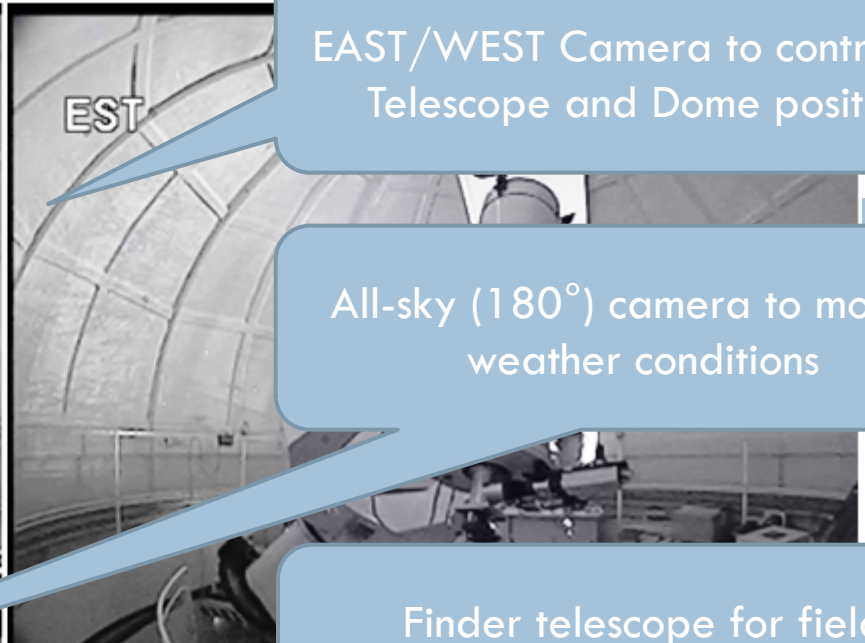
TNT Main Technical Data

Aperture	<i>72 cm</i>
Optical design	<i>Ritchey-Chrétien</i>
Focal length	<i>8.4</i>
CCD	<i>Apogee Alta U47 1024x1024</i>
Pixel FOV	<i>0.27 /px</i>
CCD Field	<i>4 x 4 arcmin²</i>
Blind pointing accuracy	<i>< 30 arcsec</i>
Open-loop tracking accuracy	<i>< 1 arcsec (5 minutes)</i>
Closed-loop tracking accuracy	<i>< 1 arcsec</i>
Slew rate	<i>2.5°/sec</i>

Remotization of the whole system (safety, efficiency, and ease of use)

- Started in the year 2011 it has been completed at the beginning of the year 2012; It will be upgraded within the current year (new ccd, new cameras...)
- Teramo Normale Telescope (72-cm) has already been upgraded to allow safe and full remote controls, without the need of local operators





EAST/WEST Camera to control the Telescope and Dome position

All-sky (180°) camera to monitor weather conditions

Finder telescope for field recognition and guiding



Educational projects

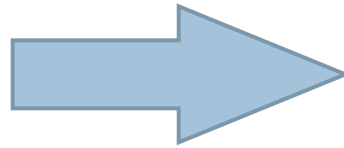
- The TNT telescope is inserted in educational projects involving secondary schools
- Students and teachers can carry out astronomical observations directly from the classroom at any time, by using a simple web interface, that manages telescope pointings, ccd acquisitions and *weather control*

Augmented reality - New technologies for museums and exhibition

- Augmented reality mobile application in order to integrate the telescope observation with new user experience
- 3D reconstructions for the main tools in the Teramo observatory Museum
- Realization of new virtual museum areas to integrate other tool or object coming from different structure

3D Reconstruction

- Structure from motion algorithm (Yasutaka Furukawa's PMVS/CMVS)
- Image-based modeling and rendering



Conclusion and future development

- New virtual museum areas
 - ▣ Planet Room
 - ▣ Kircher museum Room
- Animation and modeling
- Educational game project