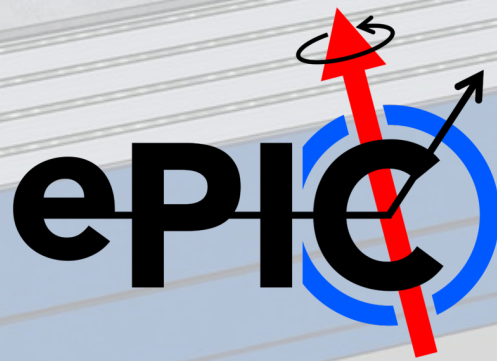


A 3D cutaway diagram of the ePIC detector structure. The detector is cylindrical and composed of several concentric layers. The outermost layer is blue, followed by a green layer, and then a purple layer. The innermost layer consists of a series of parallel, slanted plates. The central region contains a complex arrangement of components, including a central detector element and various support structures. The overall design is highly symmetrical and complex.

# ePIC Collaboration Status

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April 21, 2023



# ePIC Collaboration Happenings

- It continues to be a very busy time for ePIC!
  - March 13-14<sup>th</sup> – BECAL review
  - March 16-18<sup>th</sup> – EIC-Asia Meeting
  - March 20-21<sup>st</sup> – Backwards PID review
  - March 24<sup>th</sup> – Collaboration Council Meeting
  - April 3<sup>rd</sup> – Management plan ratified by CC
  - Spring Conferences (DIS, HP, GHP23, ...)
  - April 3-4<sup>th</sup> - EIC Resource Review Board
  - April 7<sup>th</sup> – proto-EB Meeting
  - April 14<sup>th</sup> – General Meeting
  - April 21<sup>st</sup> – CC Meeting
  - April 24-25<sup>th</sup> – Meeting @ CERN

March 2023

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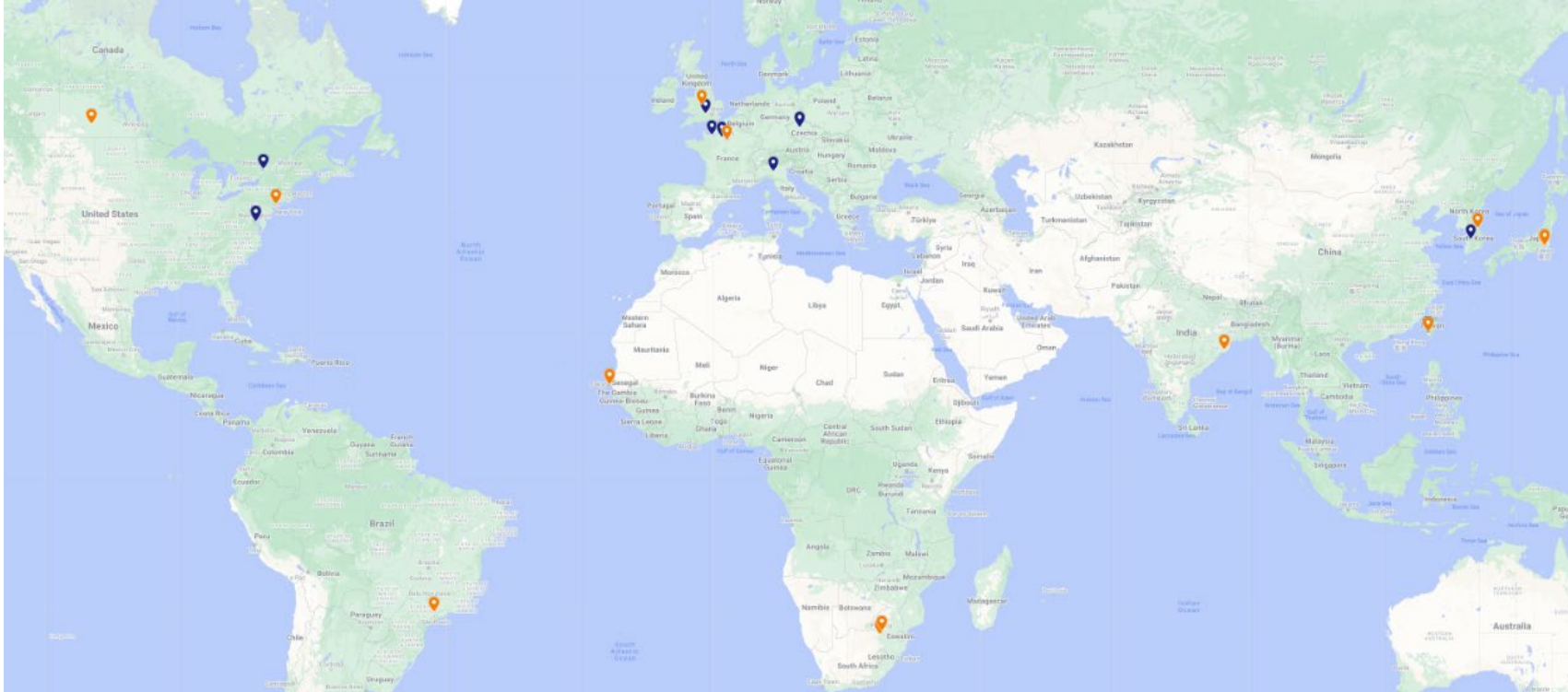
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# ePIC Internal Review Process

- March 13, 2022 – EIC Project encourages proto-collaboration to “... *integrate new experimental concepts and technologies that improve physics capabilities without introducing inappropriate risk.*”
- Spring/Summer 2022 – Barrel ECal and backwards PID identified by GD/I as consolidation items requiring additional scrutiny.
- October '22 – March '23:
  - First ePIC simulation campaign with two geometry concepts (Arches and Bryce Canyon) to support simulation studies for competing technologies
  - Barrel ECal and backwards PID guidance to proponents, committee charge developed.
  - External review committee members identified.
  - GD/I review preparation meetings:
    - (ECal) <https://indico.bnl.gov/event/17940/>
    - (bRICH) <https://indico.bnl.gov/event/18140/>, <https://indico.bnl.gov/event/18221/>
- Proto-EB Meeting April 7<sup>th</sup>, 2023
- Recommendations announced at General Meeting April 14<sup>th</sup>, 2023

# 1<sup>st</sup> EIC Resource Review Board Meeting



- First meeting on April 3-4, 2023 at Stony Brook University.
- DOE and the host labs are promoting the EIC as a facility that is “fully international in character.”
- 12 countries participating: Blue markers: RRB members; Orange markers: Observers
- Agenda reflects what we expect to have in future RRB meetings.
- RRB Charter was ratified at 1<sup>st</sup> meeting. Initial Co-Chairs are Haiyan Gao (BNL) and Diego Bettoni (INFN).

# 1<sup>st</sup> EIC Resource Review Board Meeting

MONDAY, APRIL 3		
8:00 AM → 8:50 AM	Breakfast/Registration	50m Wang Center / SBU
8:50 AM → 9:00 AM	Introduction (CFNS, SBU) Speaker: Abhay Deshpande (Stony Brook University & BNL) Welcome EIC RRB 1...	10m
9:00 AM → 9:10 AM	Welcome Speakers: Jack Anderson (BNL), Stuart Henderson (JLAB)	10m
9:10 AM → 9:40 AM	EIC Resource Review Board Mandate & Meeting Goals Speakers: Haiyan Gao (BNL), David Dean (JLAB) EIC-RRB-Meeting Ap...	30m
9:40 AM → 9:55 AM	Report from the EIC Advisory Board Speaker: Stuart Henderson (JLAB) Henderson RRB Rep...	15m
9:55 AM → 10:10 AM	EIC Science Speaker: Maria Zurek (ANL) Zurek-EIC-Science-v...	15m
10:10 AM → 10:30 AM	EIC Project Plan Speaker: Jim Yeck Project Plan RRB Ap...	20m
10:30 AM → 10:45 AM	Group Photo	15m
10:45 AM → 11:00 AM	Break	15m East Hall / SBU
11:00 AM → 11:20 AM	ePIC Collaboration Status and Plans for New Members Speaker: Silvia Dalla Torre (ePIC Deputy Spokesperson) RRB_20230403-04_...	20m
11:20 AM → 11:50 AM	EIC Project Detector Overview (Scope, Schedule, Resources) Speakers: Elke Aschenauer (BNL), Rolf Ent (JLAB) eca.detector.RRB.v3...	30m
11:50 AM → 12:10 PM	Detector Advisory Committee Report Speaker: Edward Kinney (University of Colorado-Boulder) RRB-DAC-04-23.pdf RRB-DAC-04-23.pptx	20m
12:10 PM → 12:30 PM	ePIC Computing Plans Speaker: Markus Diefenthaler (JLAB) Diefenthaler-EICRR...	20m
12:30 PM → 1:30 PM	Hosted Lunch	1h East Hall / SBU

1:30 PM → 3:30 PM	Comments by Funding Agency Representatives and/or Principal Investigators	Room 201 / SBU
3:30 PM → 4:00 PM	Break	30m East Hall / SBU
4:00 PM → 4:40 PM	Comments by Observers (View of EIC Involvement)	
4:40 PM → 5:00 PM	Comments by Host Country 4:40 PM EIC-US	20m
5:00 PM → 5:30 PM	Meeting Summary Speakers: Haiyan Gao (BNL), David Dean (JLAB)	30m
5:30 PM → 5:45 PM	Break	15m
5:45 PM → 8:45 PM	Hosted Dinner	3h Simons Center / SBU
TUESDAY, APRIL 4		
8:30 AM → 9:00 AM	Breakfast/Meet up for Tour	30m Wang Center / SBU
9:00 AM → 9:30 AM	Travel to BNL Via Tour Bus	30m
9:30 AM → 11:30 AM	Tour BNL	2h BNL
11:30 AM → 12:00 PM	Tour Bus to Stony Brook University	30m
12:00 PM → 1:00 PM	Hosted Lunch	1h East Hall / SBU

- Next Resource Review Board meeting will be in person in Washington DC
- December 7-8
- Topics will include: Common Fund (or not) discussion, Computing (What is expected from partners), Governance (How does change control work for in-kind contributions), Quality Assurance (how does that get folded in reviews and planning documents), International agreements.

# Detector: International Interest & In-Kind

Entity	Interest and Important Facts
<b>NSF</b>	NSF-MSRI pre-proposal submitted by 10 US universities – aims at full scope of backward EM calorimetry (eECal). Armenia, Czech, France/IN2P3 as unfunded contributors. Invited to submit proposal.
<b>Armenia</b>	Contributions, mainly labor to <u>eECal</u> and many EM calorimetry and particle id detectors component tests.
<b>Canada</b>	EIC included in 2022 Canadian Subatomic Physics Long-Range Plan; Interested in Compton Polarimetry, Electromagnetic Calorimetry and Software
<b>China</b>	Forward EM Calorimeter
<b>Czech</b>	Working with funding agency; Interested in <u>eECal</u> (PbWO4 crystals and glass) and Silicon
<b>France/IRFU</b>	Interested in SC magnet design, electronics and MPGD/tracking. Saclay/IRFU provided 30% design work for magnet as in-kind, contributions to 60% and ongoing 90% design.
<b>France/IN2P3</b>	International contribution to backward EM calorimetry (including in-kind design) and to readout electronics (e.g., ASICs for AC-LGAD detectors and Calorimetry). IRFU & IN2P3 discussing together for higher-level contributions.
<b>India</b>	Consortium is working with Funding agency; Interested in detector software (non-project scientific contribution), contributions to DAQ/slow controls, and PID – <u>ToF</u> as hardware (investigating Forward AC-LGAD to make links with Si plants).
<b>Italy/INFN</b>	Working with INFN since a while; Aims at major scope of forward particle identification detector (dRICH), at (part of) the Si/MAPS tracker scope, and at photo-sensor contributions. Further investigating possible interest in EIC detector magnet scope.
<b>Israel</b>	B0 Detectors (Si tracking and PbWO4)
<b>Japan</b>	Interested in a US-Japan agreement; Aims at full scope of Zero-Degree Calorimeter in collaboration with Taiwan/Korea. Pursuit of full scope of barrel AC-LGAD detector as EIC-Asia consortium. Contribution to DAQ/streaming. Possible aerogel.
<b>Korea</b>	Fiber-based EM calorimetry (barrel and/or hadronic ZDC), Small work package for barrel AC-LGAD as part of EIC-Asia consortium (includes also <u>Japan, Taiwan</u> ), collaboration on Si tracking detector (backward Si disks), Si-based hadronic calorimetry for ZDC.
<b>Poland</b>	Actively working with ministry/funding agency; Interested in detectors along the beam line (luminosity detector, Roman Pots)
<b>Taiwan</b>	Pursuit of full scope of barrel AC-LGAD as part of EIC-Asia consortium. LYSO-based EM calorimeter for ZDC, Also optical readout/fiber. Possible later interest in PCBs. Computing.
<b>UK</b>	STFC seed funding for UK detector R&D (3M£). Interest in Si/MAPS tracker, polarimetry and detectors along the beams (Low-Q2/ <u>TimePix</u> ). Follow-up grant request for 5-7 years submitted early 2023 (includes accelerator part).

Slide from EIC PM presentation at April 14<sup>th</sup> General Meeting:

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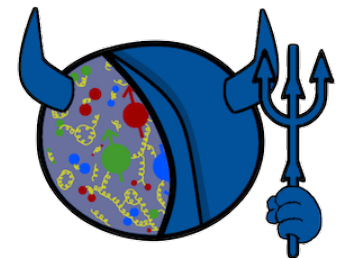
# Meeting @ CERN April 24-25<sup>th</sup>

- Discussions on recognized experiment status for ePIC, ITS3 development, cooperation ...
- Monday April 24<sup>th</sup>:
  - Meeting w/Joachim Mnich, CERN Director for Research and Computing
  - EIC-ALICE Meeting
  - Technical discussions
- Tuesday April 25<sup>th</sup>:
  - Technical discussions
  - CERN-EIC Synergies for Cerenkov PID
    - <https://agenda.infn.it/event/35393/>



# ePIC at Conferences

- DIS 2023, March 27-31<sup>st</sup> :
  - Invited talks by Richard Milner and Alex Jentsch
  - Seven additional talks by ePIC collaborators
- Hard Probes
  - Invited talk by Friederike Bock
- GHP '23, April 11-14<sup>th</sup> :
  - Joerg Reinhold gave a talk on the ePIC Detector and Physics
- Speaking Opportunities:
  - The organizers of SPIN 2023 have contacted us for a speaker to give a plenary talk on ePIC. The conference is Sept. 24-29<sup>th</sup> at Duke University:  
<https://indico.jlab.org/event/663/>
  - PID abstract submitted to HADRON2023 (R. Preghenella)
  - Contact Silvia, Ernst, Bernd or JGL to nominate/self-nominate
- Submit abstracts!





# ePIC Calo. Clustering Workshop

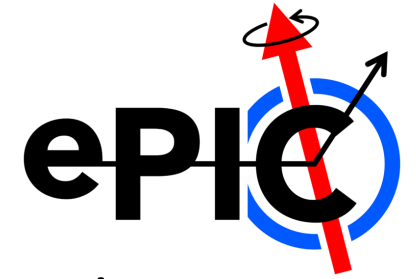
- ePIC Clustering Workshop held at ORNL 11-14 April
- Lots of new activity on GitHub associated with this event!
- Apparently, they also had a practical application of safety principles...
- Summary at Calo WG Meeting:
  - <https://indico.bnl.gov/event/19173/>
- Similar activities encouraged!



# Second Simulation Campaign .. Coming Soon!

- Huge improvements over the first campaign:
  - Improved detector geometry and readout information.
  - Many improvements in reconstruction framework, including PODIO integration in JANA2 and EICrecon.
  - Many improvements in the reconstruction algorithms thanks to the TF's on calorimeter clustering, PID, tracking, and jet reconstruction.
  - Background modeling and embedding started thanks to the background TF.
- Planning underway:
  - Critical integration issues to be addressed will be discussed and prioritized by the TC via the TIC (first meeting April 28<sup>th</sup>) to support CD-3A and the TDR. Coordinators will organize activity needed to support these goals.

# Conclusions



- ePIC remains as vibrant as ever, and activity within the collaboration is increasing:
  - Completing the consolidation process with the BECal and backwards PID reviews is a real milestone for the collaboration!
  - Great ePIC talks at spring conferences!
  - Progress on growing the collaboration (EIC-Asia, EIC RRB meeting, ...)
  - Substantial progress on reconstruction and simulation software in preparation for the second simulation campaign
    - No time to say more, go to the Software and Computing meetings!
- SP Office is working to stand up the new collaboration structure and start the important work of evolving the ePIC technical design
- Occasionally, fun is spontaneously breaking out!



# Barrel ECal Committee Charge

Review Committee was GD/I (Richard Milner excused himself) with external reviewers. Sasha Bazilevsky present as observer (L3 CAM).

*Many thanks to our external reviewers:*

Etiennette Auffray (CERN)

Tom LeCompte (SLAC)

Rainer Novotny (Univ. Giessen)

<https://indico.bnl.gov/event/18517/>

## ePIC Barrel ECAL Technology Review

### *Charge to the Committee*

The scope of this review is to gather information and feedback on the anticipated performance, cost and risk of two proposed technology choices (scintillating glass and imaging calorimeter) for the ePIC barrel electromagnetic calorimetry system. This review should include both the detector itself and the required readout and digitization electronics.

It is understood that both technology choices are currently evolving from advanced conceptual designs to full technical designs and should be evaluated with this level of development in mind. For the ePIC Barrel ECAL Technology Review, you are asked to address the following questions for each of the two technology options:

1. Is the anticipated performance, as demonstrated by simulations, test beam, R&D, etc. realistic given existing experience? Is the anticipated performance adequate to address the full EIC science program, as outlined in the National Academy ([link](#)) report and the EICUG Yellow Report ([link](#))?
2. Are the plans for the detector front-end electronics realistic and well-matched to the sensor properties? Is the detector readout compatible with a streaming readout DAQ, as planned for ePIC?
3. Does the mechanical integration of the detector present any unique challenges?
4. Is there an adequate workforce to build, commission and maintain the detector, or are there adequate plans to evolve the workforce towards these goals?
5. Is the cost and schedule presented realistic? Are the production capabilities of vendors fully understood and consistent with the schedule?
6. Have the proponents adequately identified technical, cost and schedule risks? Are appropriate risk mitigations identified?

Please address the above questions point-by-point.

# Backwards PID Committee Charge

Review Committee was GD/I (Silvia Dalla Torre and Thomas Ullrich excused themselves) with external reviewers. Beni Zihlmann present as an observer (L3 CAM).

*Many thanks to our external reviewers:*

Ichiro Adachi (KEK)  
Roberta Cardinale (U. Genova)  
Carmelo D'Ambrosio (CERN)  
Antonello Di Mauro (CERN)

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## ePIC Backwards PID Technology Review

### *Charge to the Committee*

The scope of this review is to gather information and feedback on the anticipated performance, cost and risk of two proposed technology choices (the modular RICH and proximity-focused RICH) for the ePIC backwards particle identification system. This review should focus primarily on the detector performance and integration issues.

It is understood that both technology choices are currently evolving from advanced conceptual designs to full technical designs and should be evaluated with this level of development in mind. For the ePIC Backwards PID Technology Review, you are asked to address the following questions for each of the two technology options:

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2. Does the mechanical integration of the detector present any unique challenges?
3. Is there an adequate workforce to build, commission and maintain the detector, or are there adequate plans to evolve the workforce towards these goals?
4. Is the cost and schedule presented realistic? Are the production capabilities of vendors fully understood and consistent with the schedule?
5. Have the proponents adequately identified technical, cost and schedule risks? Are appropriate risk mitigations identified? Please comment on production and performance uncertainties for both the aerogel and the LAPPD's.

Please address the above questions point-by-point.

# EB Meeting 4/7/2023

- As discussed at the CC Meeting on 3/31, the Spokesperson's Office convened a meeting of the Executive Board:
  - EB discussion of recommendations for technology selections for BEMCal and backwards particle ID needed
  - Included temporary members pending election of CC – elected members
- First meeting of ePIC Executive Board:
  - **Members:** J. Lajoie, S. Dalla Torre, K. Dehmelt, M. Diefenthaler, R. Reed, S. Fazio
  - **CC Chair/Vice Chair (invited, non-voting):** E. Sichtermann, B. Surrow
  - **Temporary EB Members:** B. Jacak, O. Evdokimov, T. Gunji, D. Higinbotham
  - **External Input Solicited:** P. Jones, P. Newman