



Innovation and Networking for Fatigue and
Reliability Analysis of Structures – Training for
Assessment of Risk



INFRASTAR Project

Implementation day #3

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- Innovation and **N**etworking for **F**atigue and **R**eliability **A**nalysis of **S**tructure – **T**raining for **A**ssessment of **R**isk

– 4 years: 01 May 2016 - 30 April 2020

– Budget: 3 161 113 €

- **H**orizon **2020**

European research programme started in 2014 for 7 years
Calls with open topics

- **M**arie **S**kłodowska **C**urie **A**ctions

Provide grants for all stages of researchers' careers

- **I**nnovative **T**raining **N**etworks

- **E**uropean **T**raining **N**etworks

Participants implement a joint research training programme



The ESRs

Early Stage Researchers



The map shows 12 locations across Europe, each with an arrow pointing to an ESR's profile:

- ESR9 Amol Mankar**: Aalborg Universitet, India
- ESR11 Sima Rastayesh**: Aalborg Universitet, Iran
- ESR8 Joey Velarde**: COWI, Philippines
- ESR1 Xin Wang**: BAM, China
- ESR12 Lijia Long**: BAM, China
- ESR7 Gianluca Zorzi**: CERST, Italy
- ESR3 Joyraj Chakraborty**: NeoStrain, Bangladesh
- ESR5 Bartłomiej Sawicki**: EPFL, Poland
- ESR4 Imane Bayane**: EPFL, Algeria
- ESR10 Morteza AhmadiVala**: PHIMECA, Iran
- ESR2 Antoine Bassil**: IFSTAR, Lebanon
- ESR6 Mariia Nesterova**: IFSTAR, Russia



Develop knowledge, expertise and skill
for optimal and reliable management of structures



Fatigue
of
concrete



Civil infrastructures are the basis of socio-economic wealth for modern societies.



FATIGUE ↔ CONCRETE

Limitations:

#1 Concrete structures are subjected to fatigue.

- Where: bridge structures, tower/skyscraper, offshore structures, machine foundation, ...
- Relevance: Traffic increase, slender structures, offshore wind energy (foundation, grouting), reduce design and life cost

#2 Current technological means to measure fatigue are outdated, imprecise, and inappropriate.

#3 There is a lack of theoretical and practical developments of probabilistic methods.

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3 major challenges

- To develop **new relevant auscultation and monitoring systems**
- To **reduce and optimize the safety margin** encountered in wind turbine and bridge design **in the assessment of remaining strength**
- To **optimize design and life cycle costs**



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- 3 scientific Work Packages

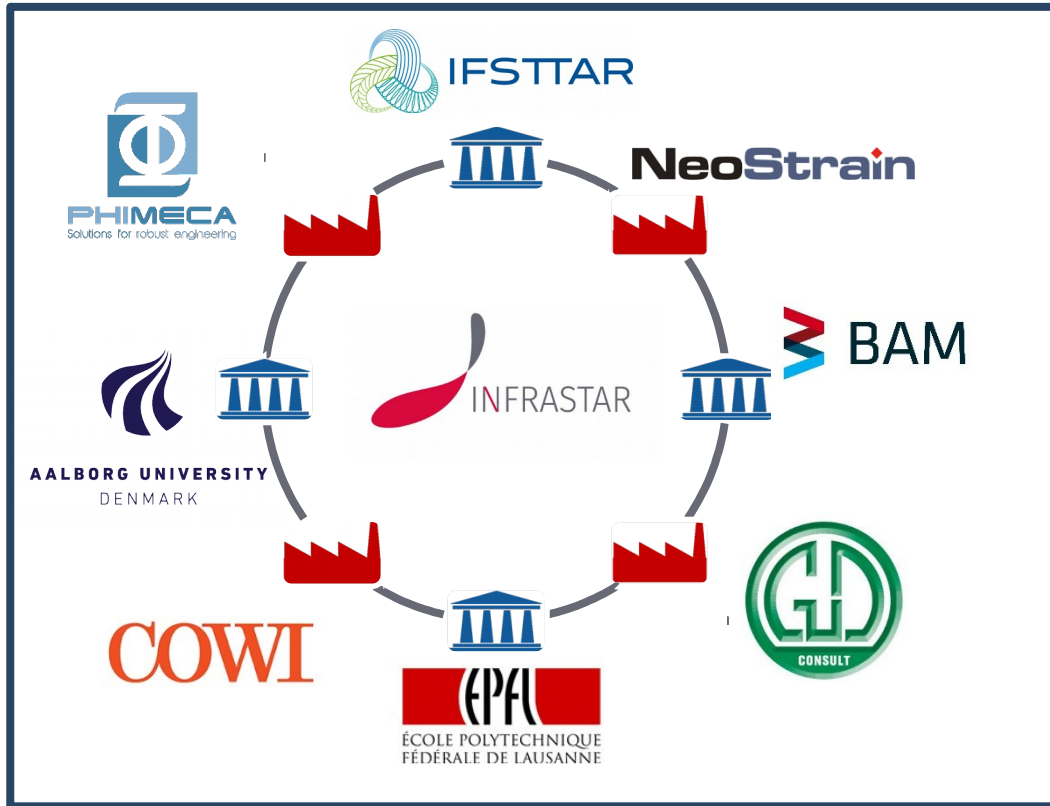
- WP1: Monitoring and auscultation
- WP2: Structural and action models
- **WP3: Reliability approaches for decision-making**



- WP4: Recruitment and training policy

- WP5: Management, dissemination, outreach and business opportunities

The network



8 beneficiaries

- 4 academic institutions
- 4 industries



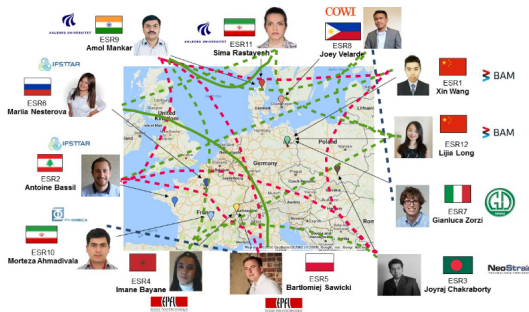
3 partner organisations



1 advisory board with 6 members

For each ESR: to make a personal **contribution to knowledge**

For each of them in **Infrastar**: to benefit of a **multi-disciplinarity** breeding ground to **amplify** their contribution



→ How: the **shared objects**

On site shared objects



Millau viaduct

To promote collaboration between the Wps
To boost ESRs collaboration
To exemplify the inter-sectoral approach



Bridge over Kłodnica river



Chillon viaduct

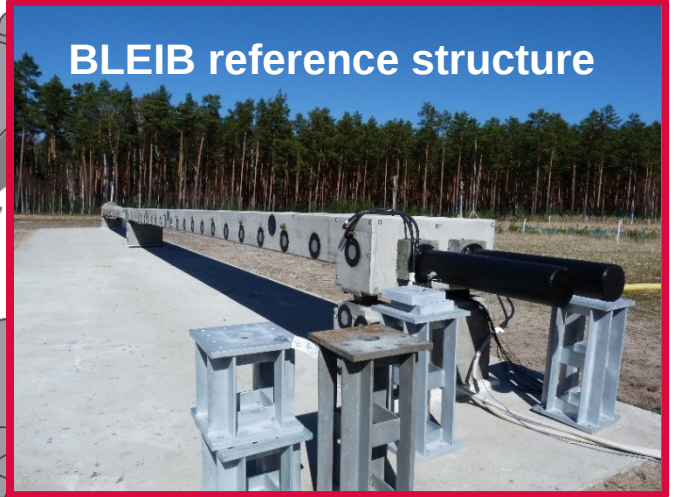
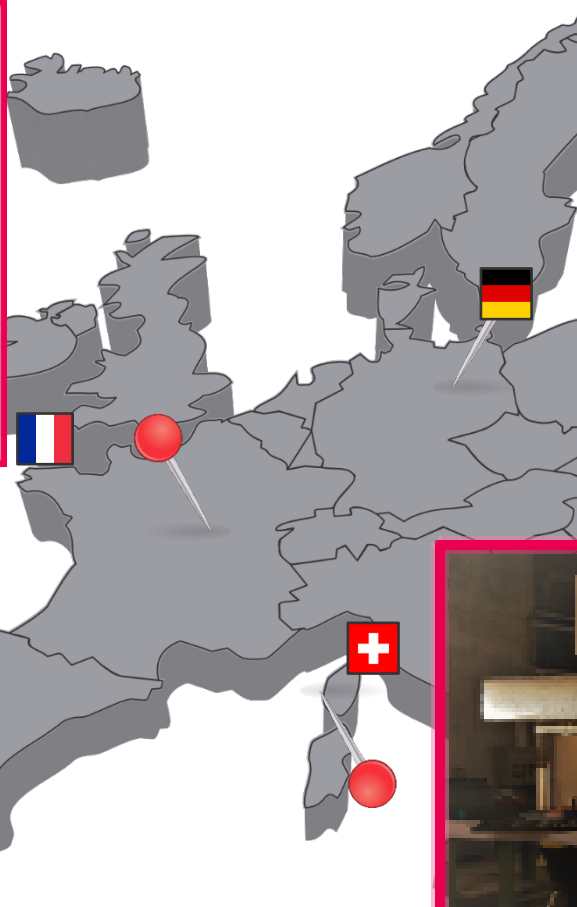
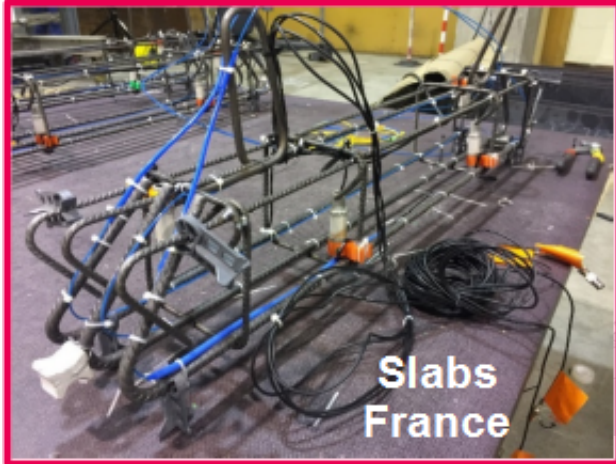


Crêt de l'Anneau viaduct



Onshore wind turbine

Lab shared objects



Network-wide training activities

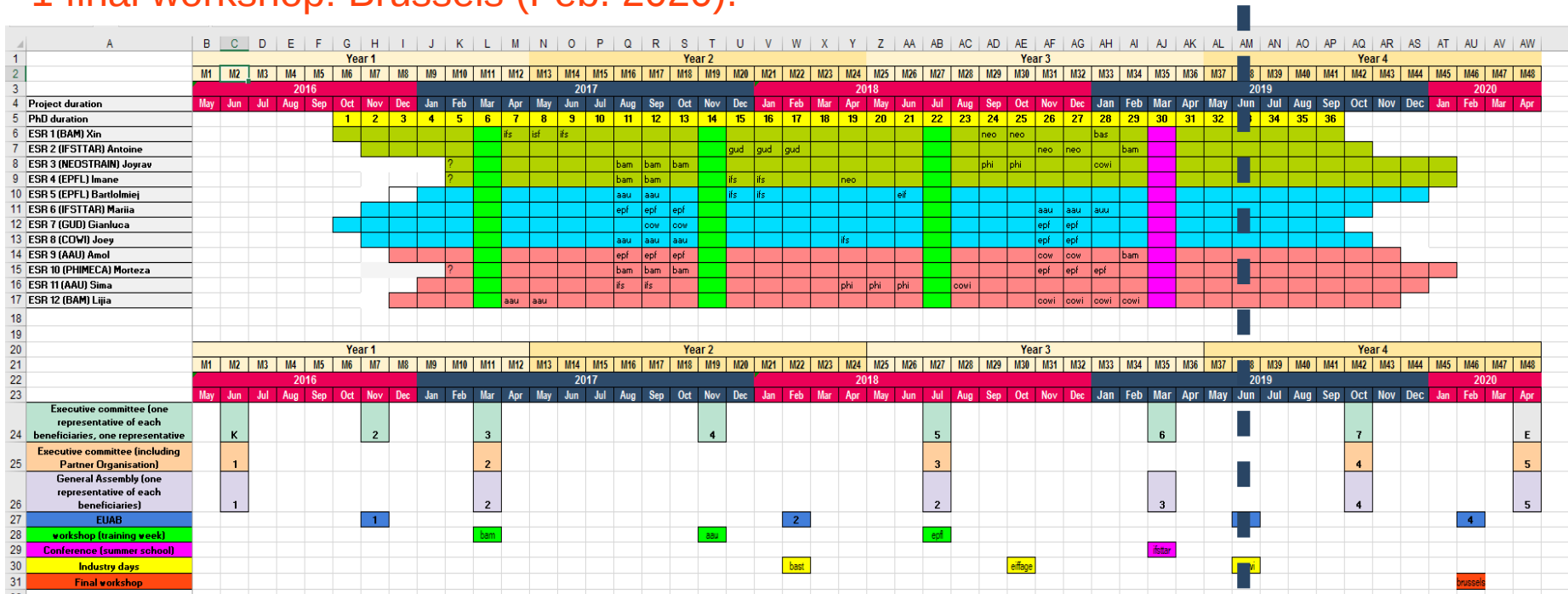
2 to 3 secondments for 2 to 3 months for each ESR.

3 training weeks: BAM (March 2017), EPFL (Nov. 2017), Aalborg (Jul. 2018).

3 implementation days: BAST (Feb. 2018), EIFFAGE (Oct. 2018), COWI (Jun. 2019).

1 winter school: IFSTTAR (Apr. 2019).

1 final workshop: Brussels (Feb. 2020).



- 09:55 – 10:25: Challenge in the application of concrete design codes for floating wind turbine support structures
 - Simon Vasseur, Ideol, France
- 10:25 – 10:45: Structural Health Monitoring strategies for fatigue assessment of infrastructure components
 - Dr Jacob Egede Andersen, COWI, Denmark
- 10:45 – 11:05: Fatigue in grouted connections for offshore wind turbines
 - Aitor Arrospide Sanz, COWI, Denmark
- 11:05 – 11:30: Coffee break
- 11:30 – 11:40 : Focus on WP3 : Reliability approaches for decision making
 - Prof. John Dalsgaard Sorensen, AAU, Denmark
- 11:40 – 12:40 : Presentations by the Infrastar PhD students (WP3)
 - Amol Mankar (AAU), Morteza AhmadiVala (Phimeca), Sima Rastayesh (AAU), Lijia Long (AAU)
- 12:40 – 14:00: Lunch

- 14:00 – 15:00: Poster session
 - Infrastar PhD students
- 15:00 – 15:45: Panel discussion
 - Moderator: Claus Kramhoft, COWI, Denmark
- 15:45 – 16:45: Speed networking
- 16:45 – 16:50: Conclusion
- 16:50 – 18:15: Cocktail & Networking

 WP1 WP2 WP3

Have a great implementation day



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