



## **JEM-EUSO mission in México**

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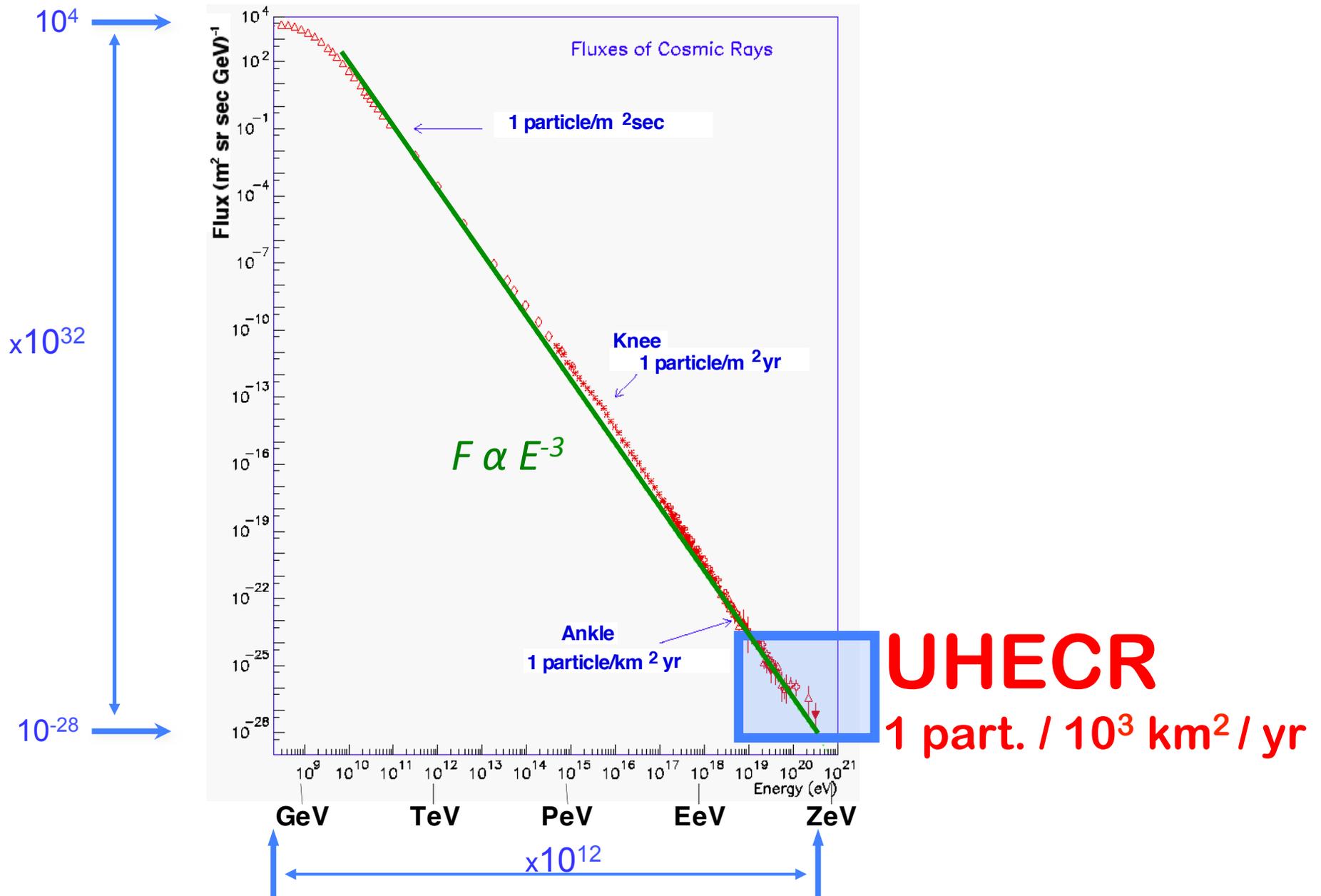
Responsible JEM-EUSO Mexico  
Chair of JEM-EUSO Intl. Science Comm.

An example of the development of

- space technology, human resources and infrastructure
- through frontier science in space
- in international collaboration

that we are carrying out in Mexico with the joint support of AEM and the academia

# COSMIC RAYS & ULTRA-HIGH ENERGY COSMIC RAYS



**A  $10^{20}$  eV proton:**

**macroscopic energies on microscopic particles**

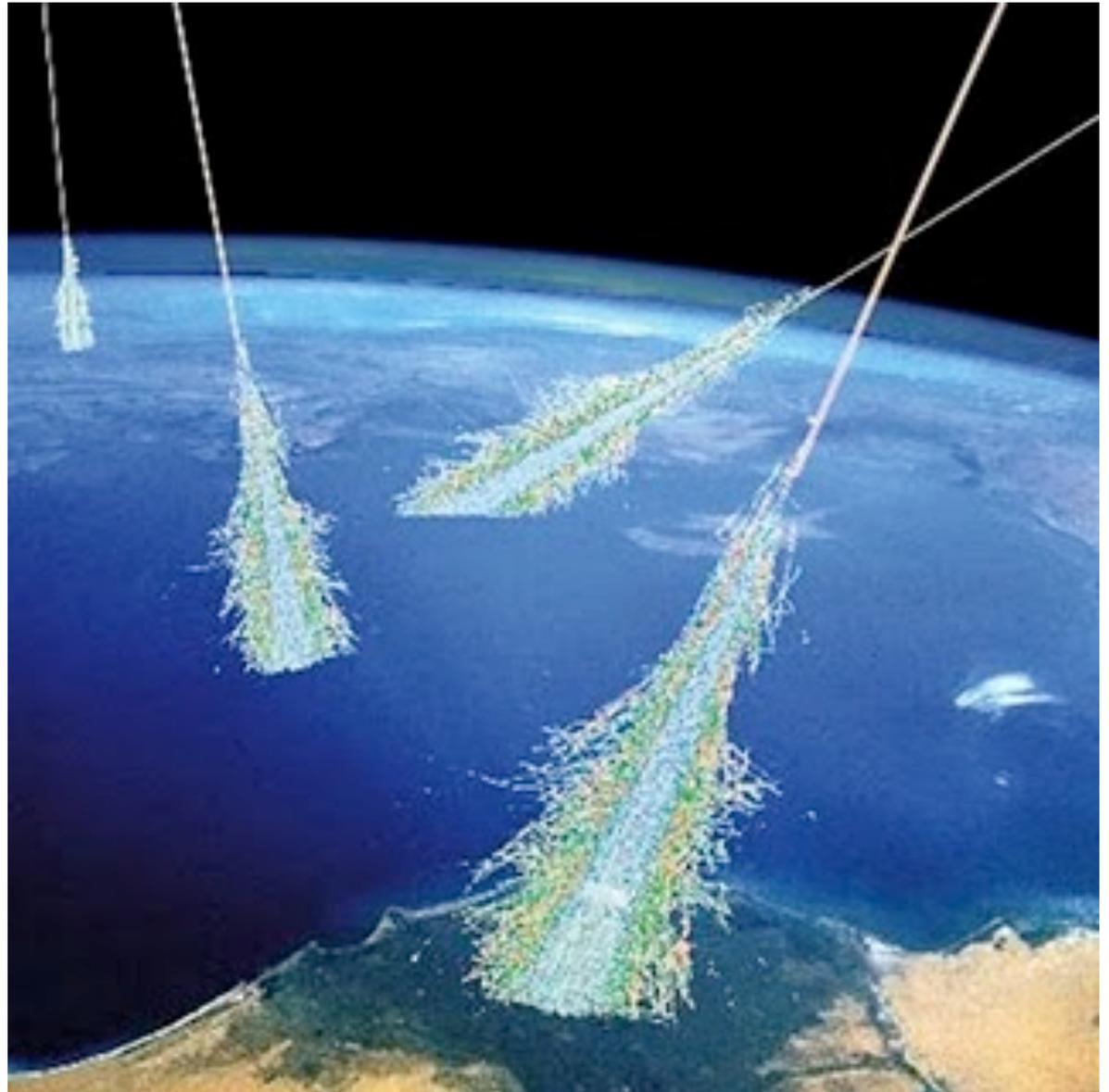


**$3 \times 10^{20}$  eV = 50 joules = 1 Tyson**

# UHECR rain over the Earth's atmosphere

Over all Earth surface:

1 event per minute at  $10^{20}$  eV



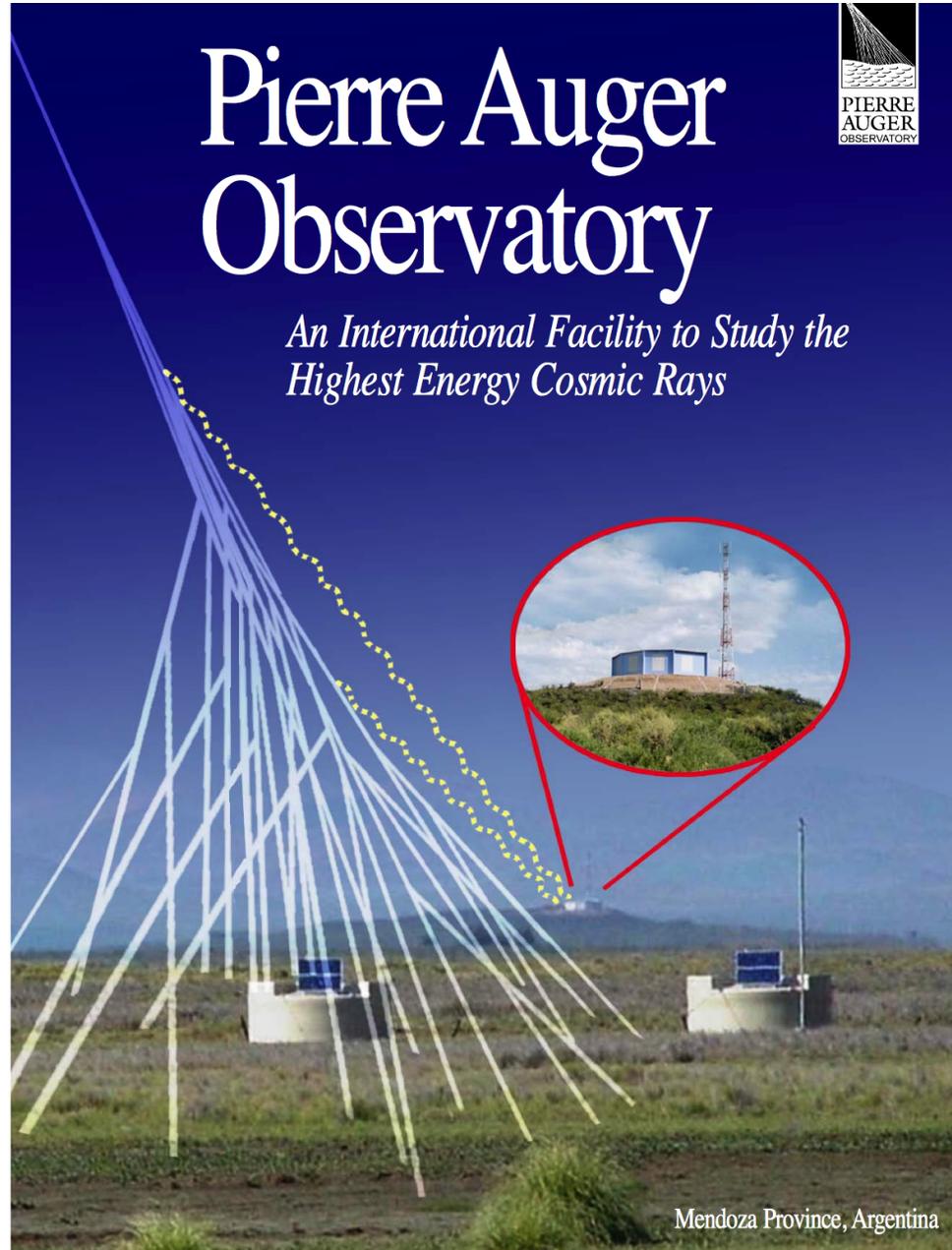
# UHECR ground observation



# Pierre Auger Observatory

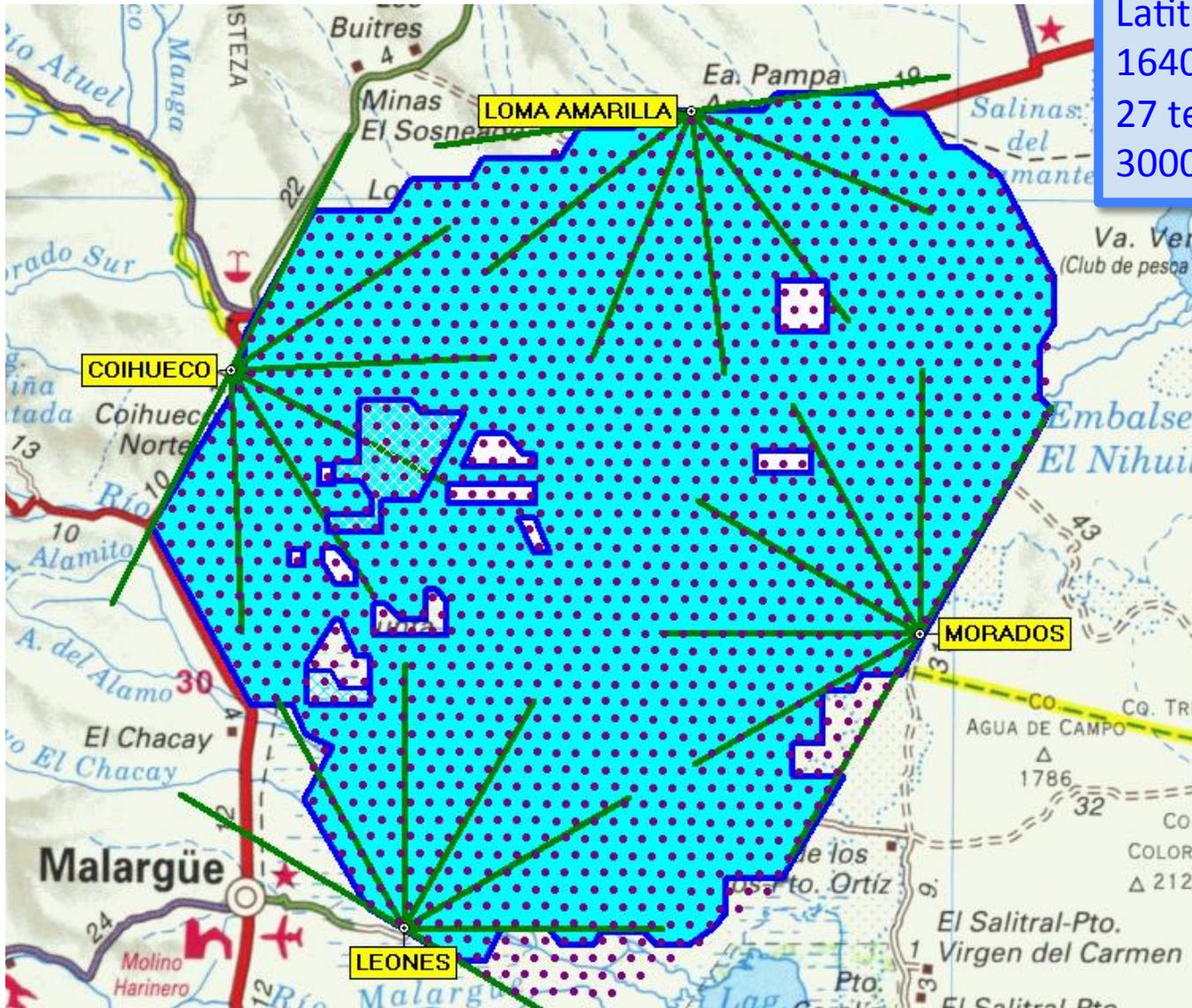
*An International Facility to Study the  
Highest Energy Cosmic Rays*

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Bolivia\*  
Brasil  
Czech Republic  
France  
Germany  
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Poland  
Portugal  
**Mexico**  
Slovenia  
Spain  
United Kingdom  
USA  
Vietnam\*



Mendoza Province, Argentina

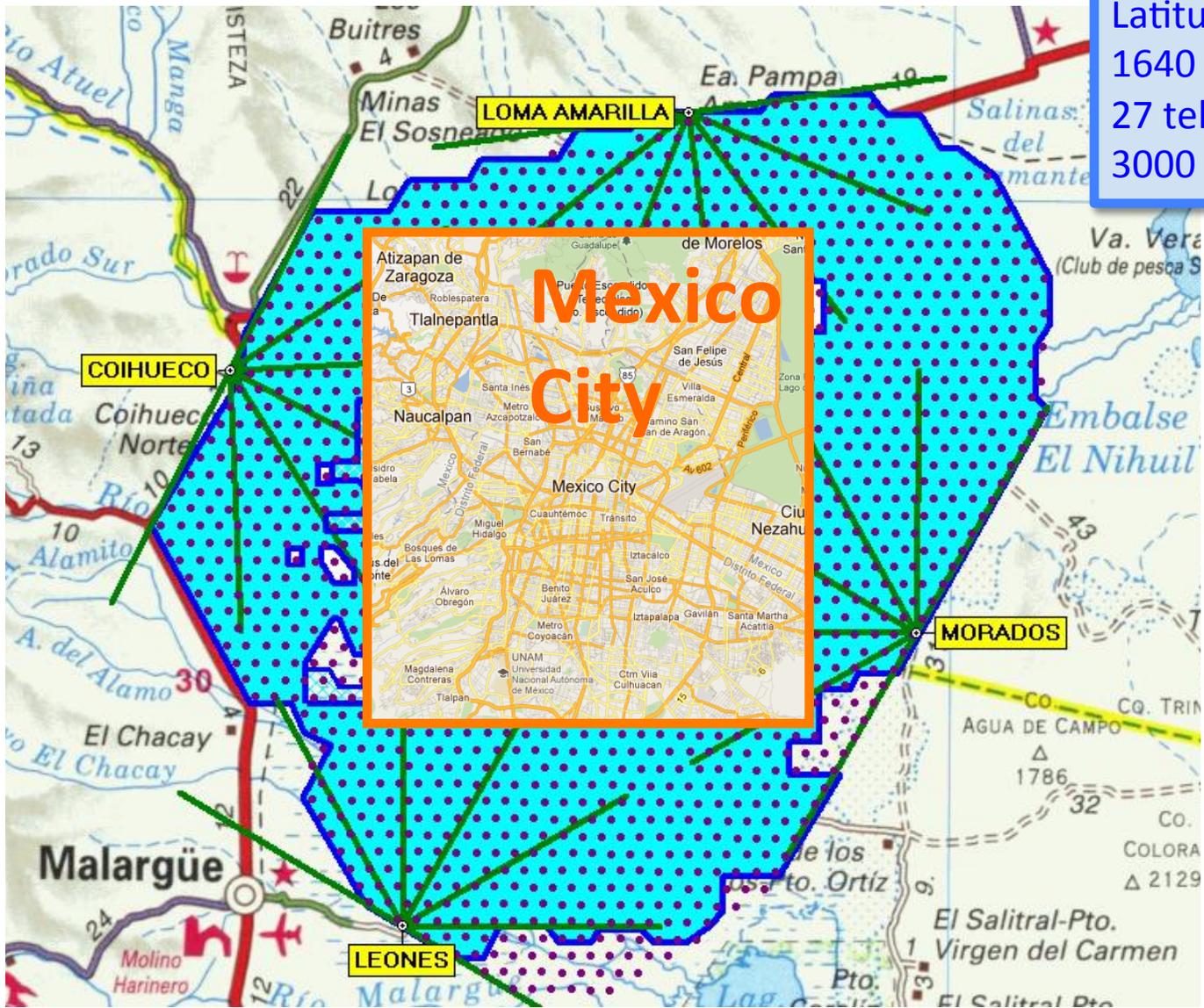
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# UHECR status in just one word

Previous to Auger

$$\frac{1 \text{ particle}}{100 \text{ km}^2 \text{ yr sr}}$$



Key Auger result:

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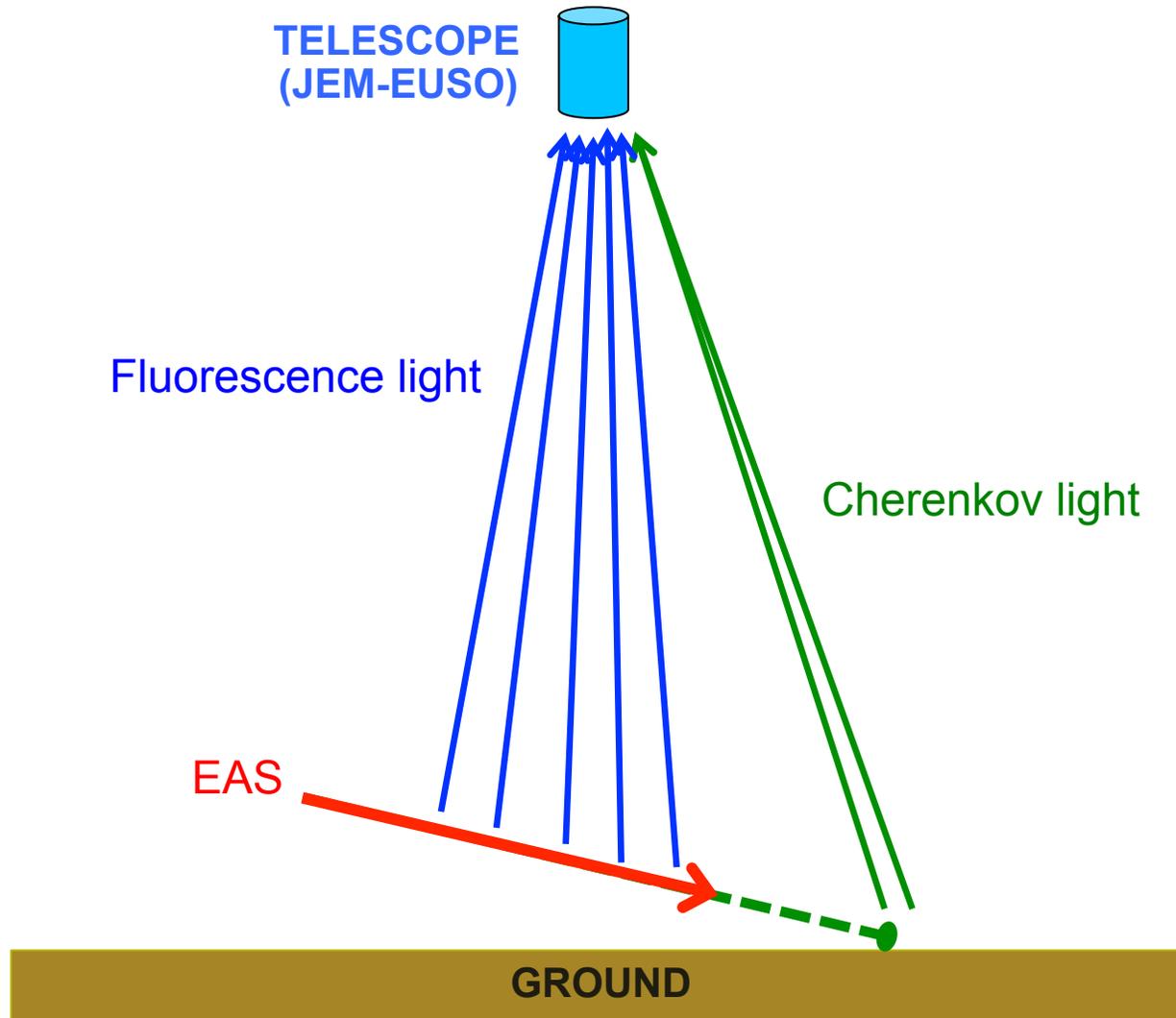
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**A quantitative jump in exposure**

**(orders of magnitude: e.g.,  $10^3 \rightarrow 10^6$  km<sup>2</sup> yr sr)**

**is needed to effectively open such an  
astronomical window @  $E > 10^{20}$  eV**

# Observing UHECR from space



## **JEM-EUSO mission**

- **First space observatory for extreme energy astroparticles**
  - **ASTRONOMY with CHARGED PARTICLE**
  - **study HADRONIC INTERACTIONS (  $E > \text{LHC}$  )**
- **Messengers: extreme energy cosmic rays, photons & neutrinos**
- **Operational prototype of a new technique**

# JEM-EUSO instrument

HIGH COMPLEXITY SPACE MISSION (TECHNICAL & LOGISTICAL)

- Deployment @ ISS (400 km of height)
- Refractor telescope: large Fresnel lenses
- UV: spectral band 200-400 nm
- Field of View:  $\pm 30$  deg
- Dimensions: 2.70 m diameter x 4 m length
- Mass: 2 tn
- Atmospheric monitoring system: LIDAR + IR camera
- Launching date: 2017/18

# Internacional JEM-EUSO Collaboration

## International effort

300+	scientists
80+	research institutions
13	countries



Japan, USA, France, Germany, Italy, **México**, Korea, Russia, Switzerland, Spain, Slovakia, Poland, Bulgaria

Leading institution: **RIKEN**, Japan

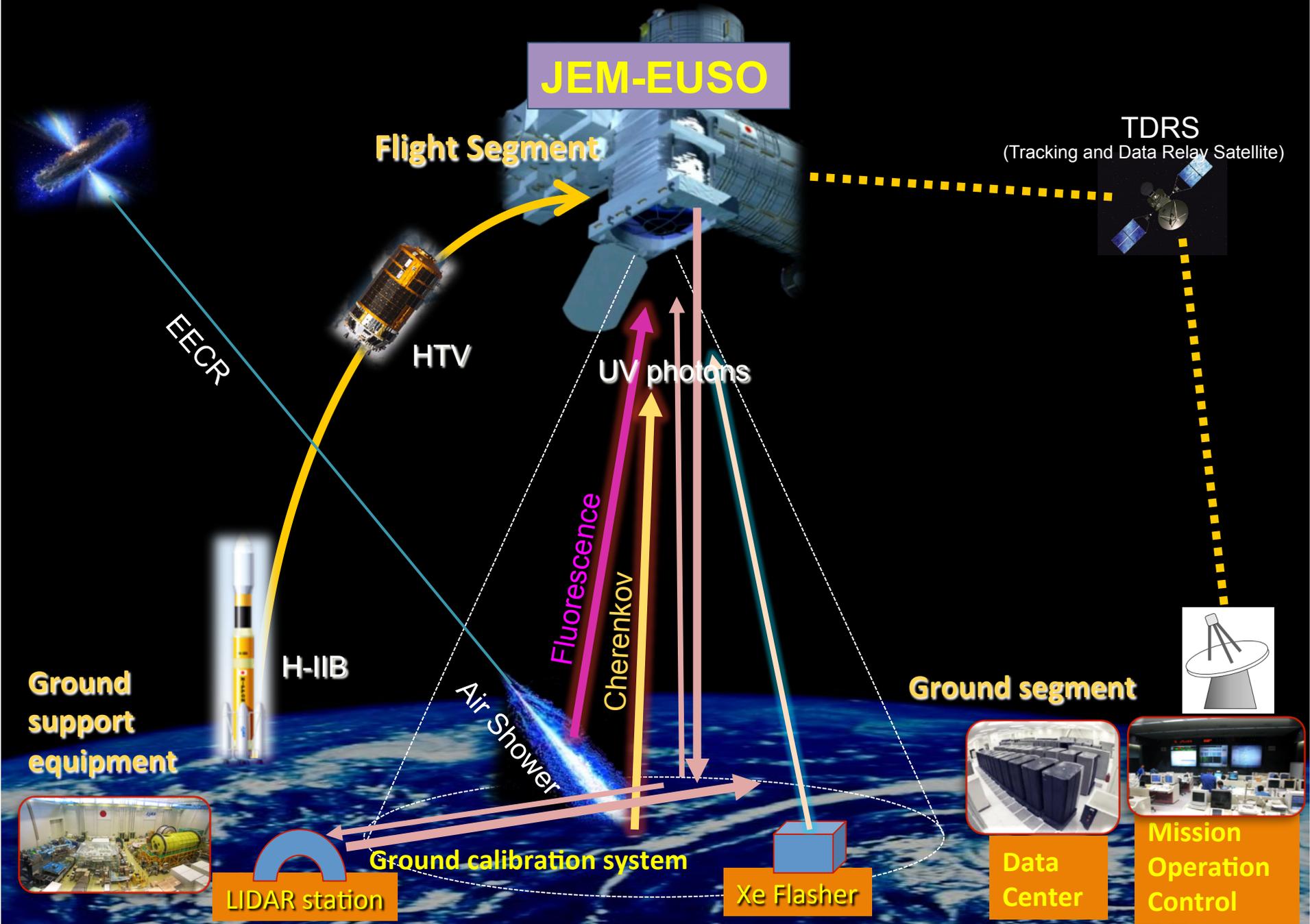
Key agencies are essential to the project and it is under consideration / study by several of them:



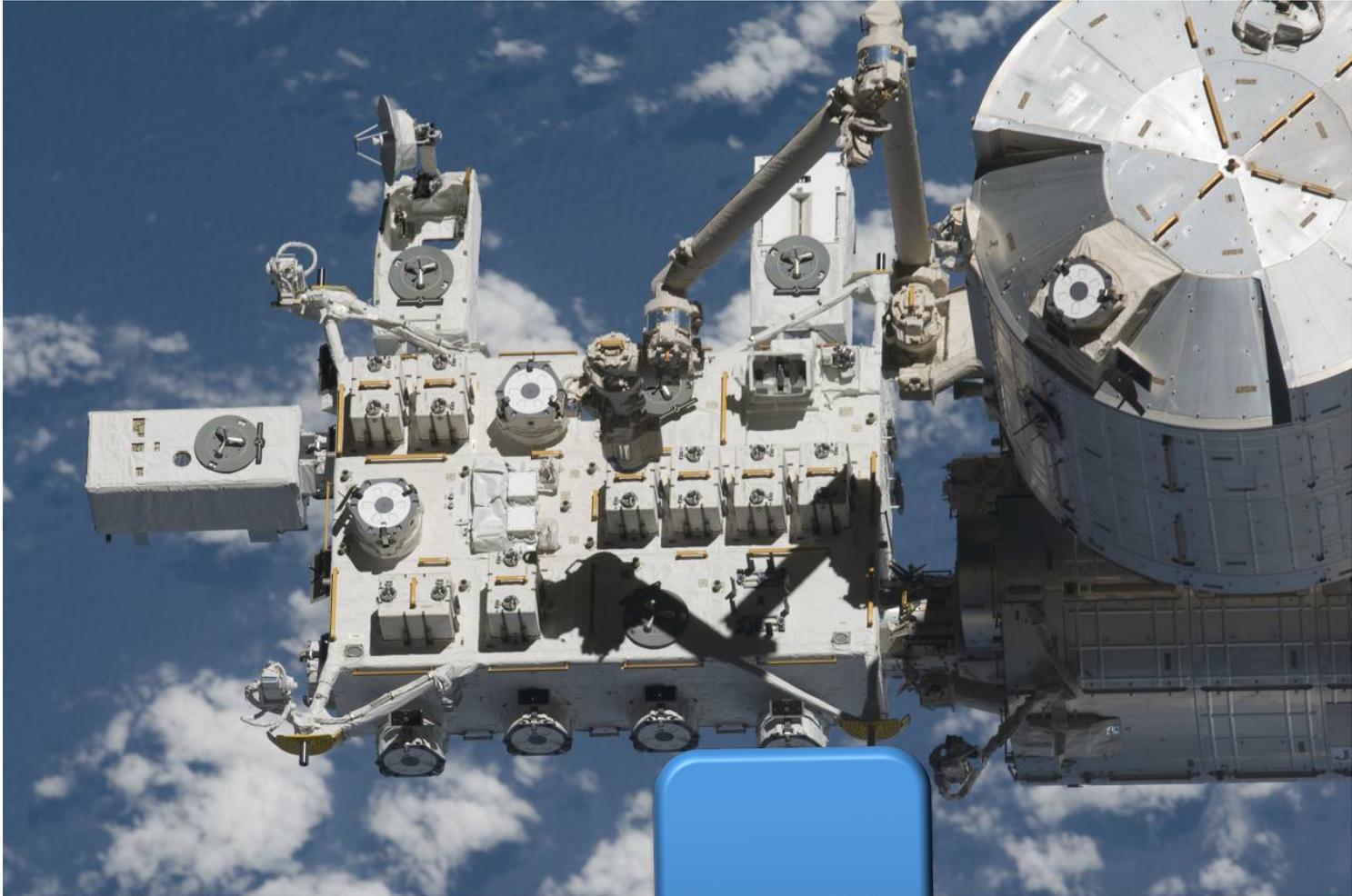
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other National agencies

# Conceptual view of the JEM-EUSO system



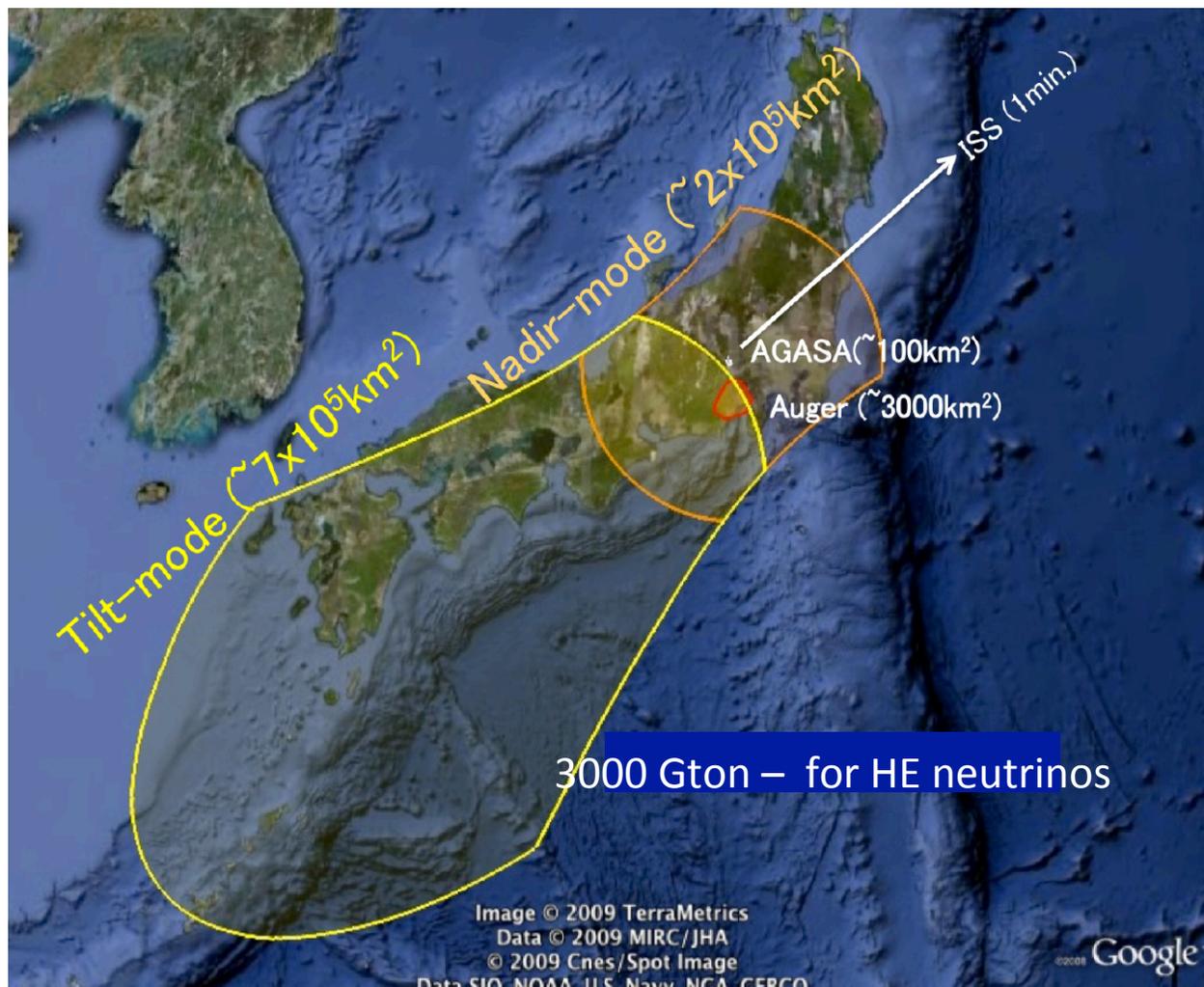
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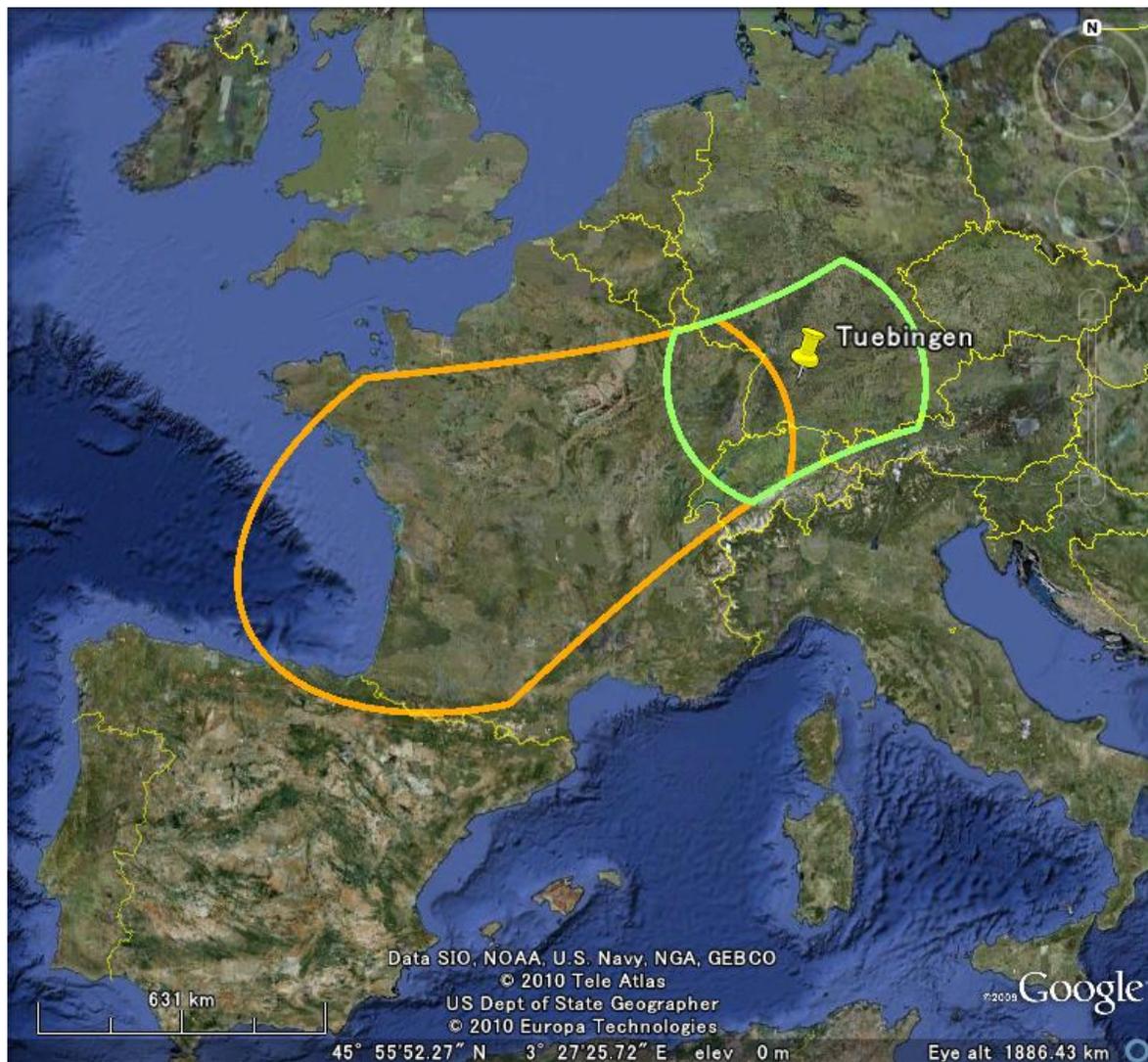
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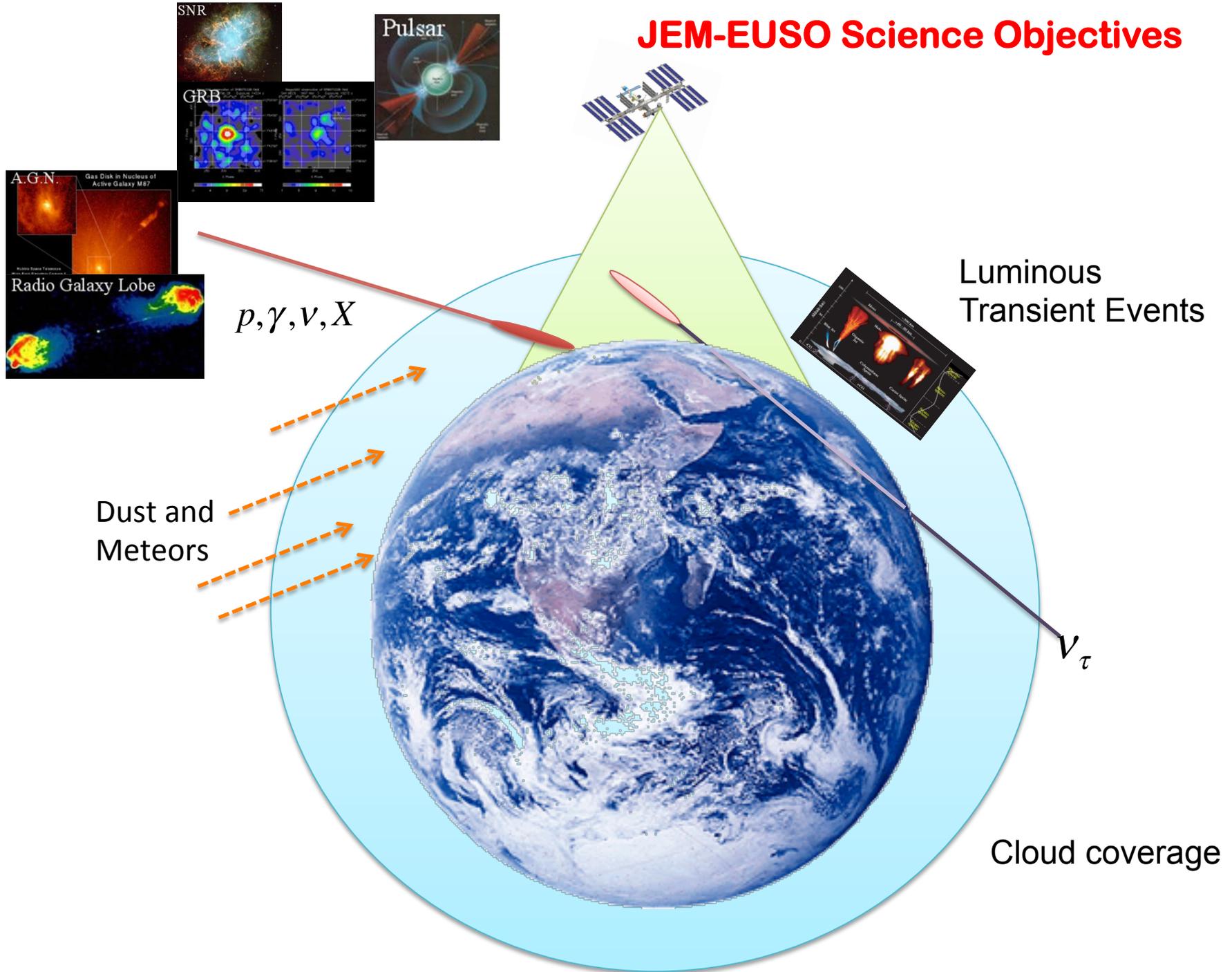
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# JEM-EUSO Science Objectives



# Distribución internacional de responsabilidades

Atmospheric monitoring



Optics: USA + Japan



HK system + Power supply

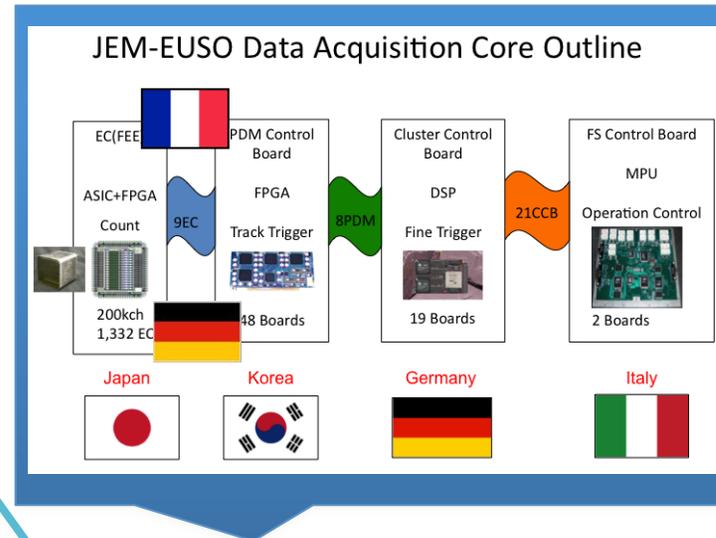


Fresnel Lens #2

Precision Fresnel lens

Iris

Fresnel lens #1



DAQ Electronics



Support Structure: Italy



Calibration

Mexico chair of the science committee

Science and Simulation



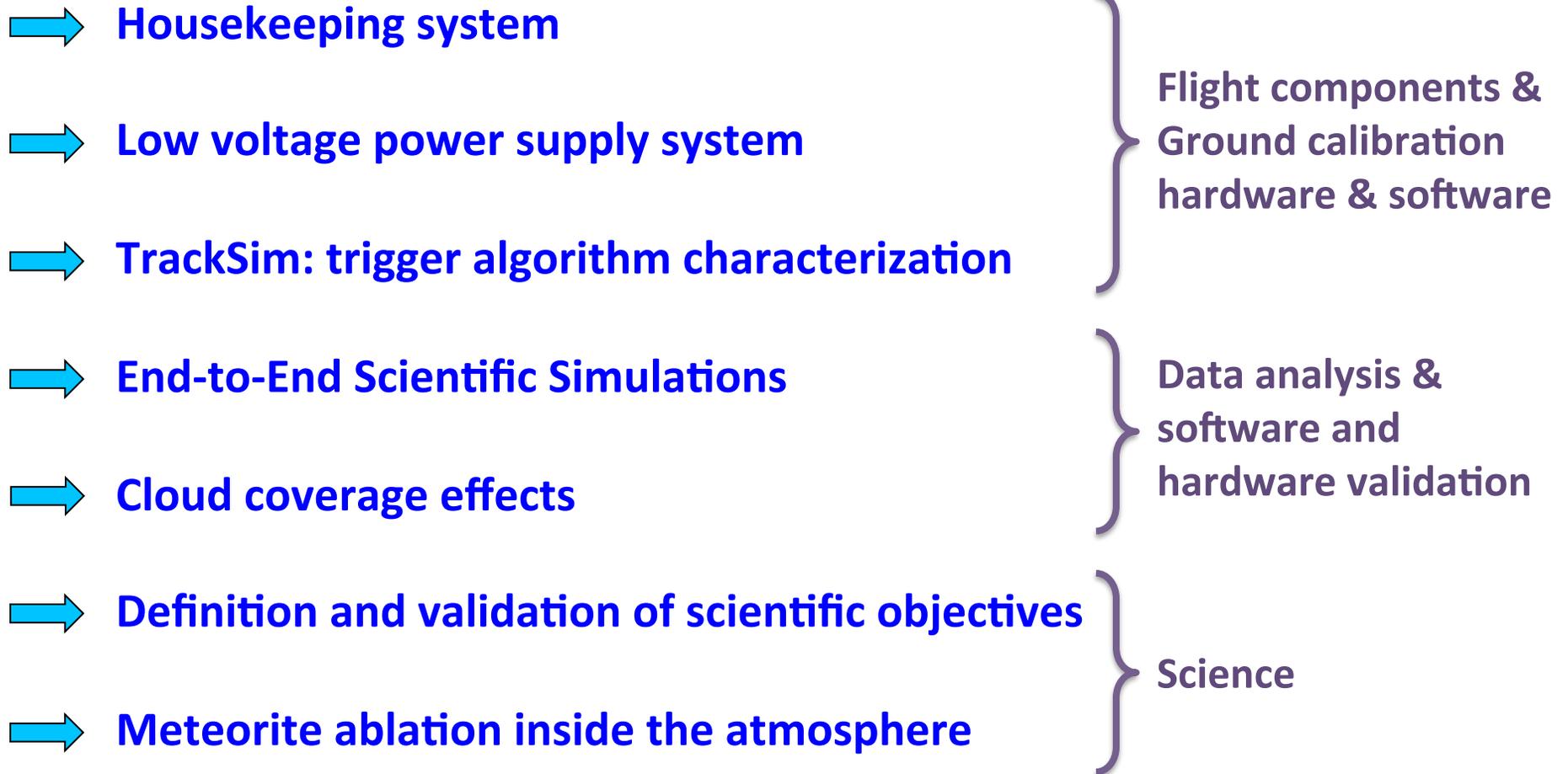
Focal Surface: Japan



## **Mexican contributions to JEM-EUSO**

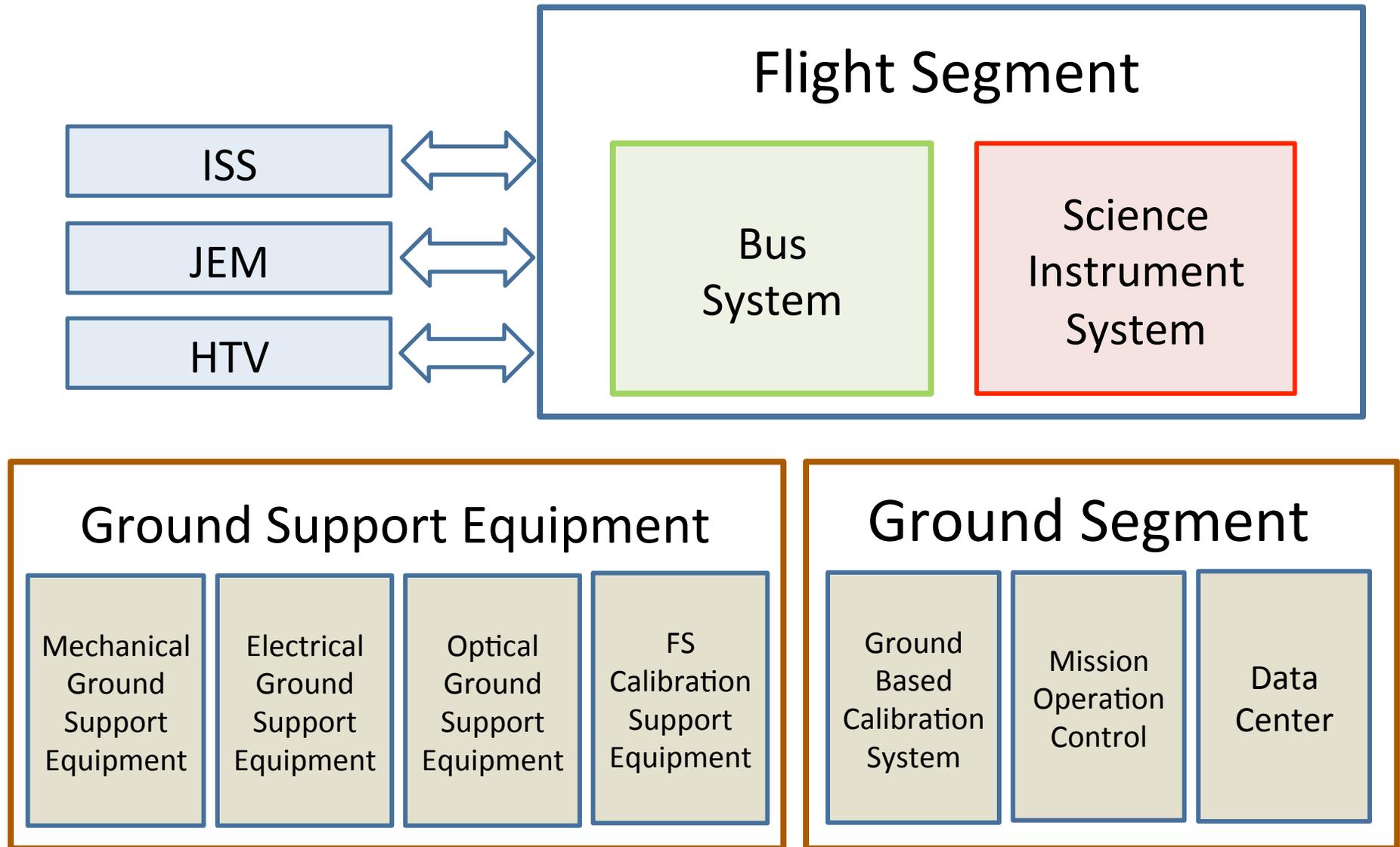
- Housekeeping system**
- Low voltage power supply system**
- TrackSim: trigger algorithm characterization**
- End-to-End Scientific Simulations**
- Cloud coverage effects**
- Definition and validation of scientific objectives**
- Meteorite ablation inside the atmosphere**

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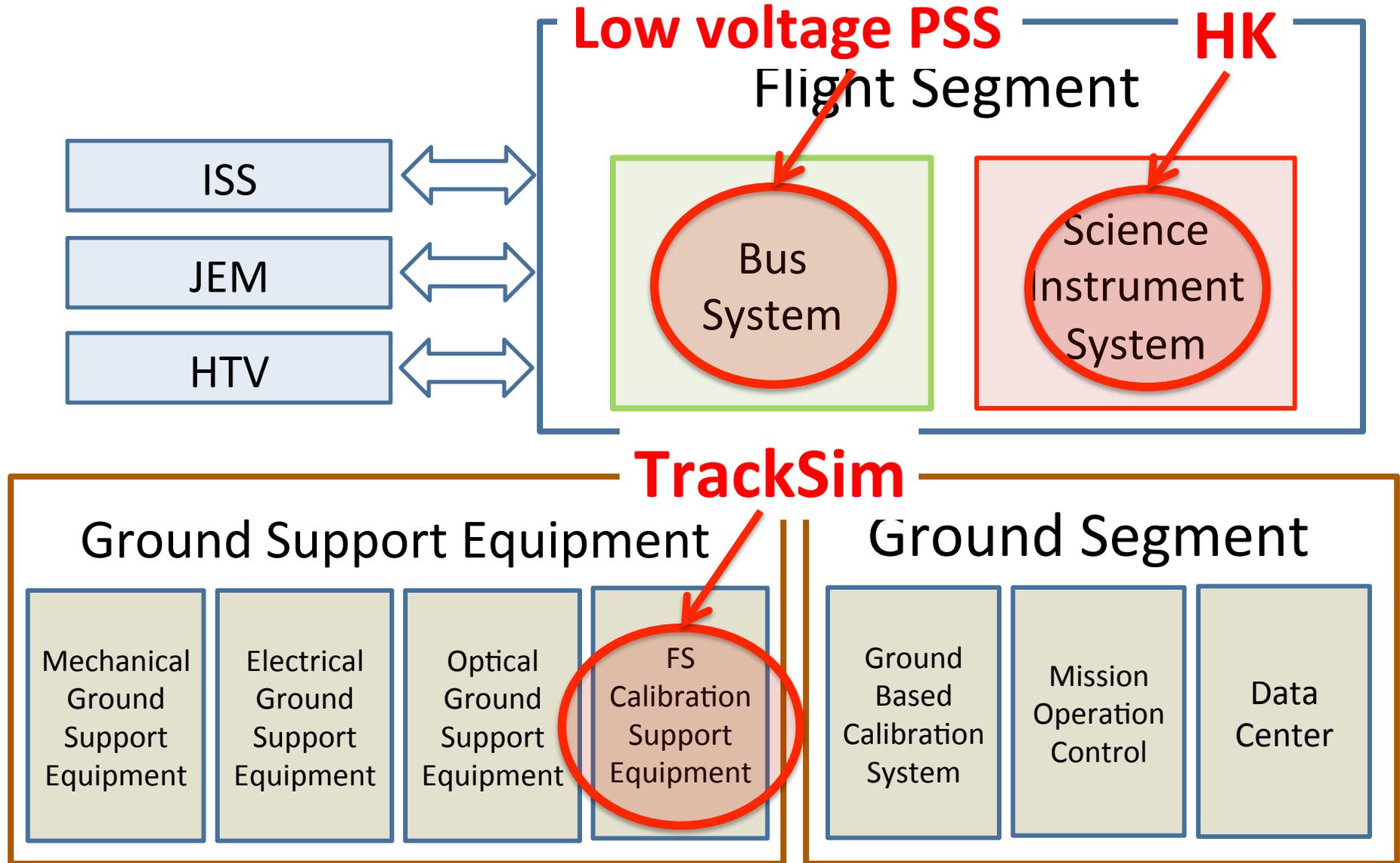


Formation of human resources in engineering, data analysis and management and science

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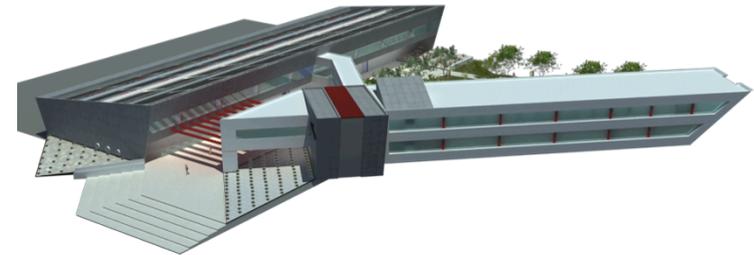
# MOTOR FOR INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT:

## INTEGRATED INFRAESTRUCTURE FOR SPACE QUALIFICATION @ ICN/CAT - UNAM

### ICN SEGMENT CU-UNAM



### CAT SEGMENT JURIQUILLA-UNAM



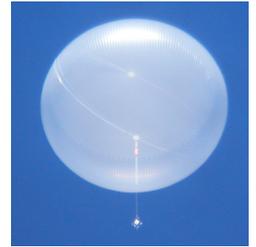
## Prototypes to be flown onboard stratospheric balloons (2014)

Agency: CNES

Science team: France, Germany, Japan, Italy, Korea, Mexico, Poland, Spain



## Other spin-offs



→ Cooperation AEM (México) & NASA around NASA stratospheric balloons:

Long duration flight of JEM-EUSO prototypes over the Pacific Ocean  
+ Engineering validation flights as piggy-backs

→ Development of small stratospheric balloon infrastructure in México for engineering validation in suborbital conditions and education at different levels

- Affordability, recoverability and fast turn over
- Strong participation of university students

→ Development of housekeeping systems for other space missions

## Conclusions

Frontier science space experiments, when combined with strong international collaboration, have the potential to serve not only to the advancement of science, but also to the development of society as a whole by spreading technological knowledge (socio-economic benefits), promoting the building of infrastructure and by creating an effective door through which countries can enter into the world of space science, technology and application.

We hope that this forum will take under its umbrella initiatives of this kind, and that other countries will see basic science in space as a viable and attractive pathway for technical development.