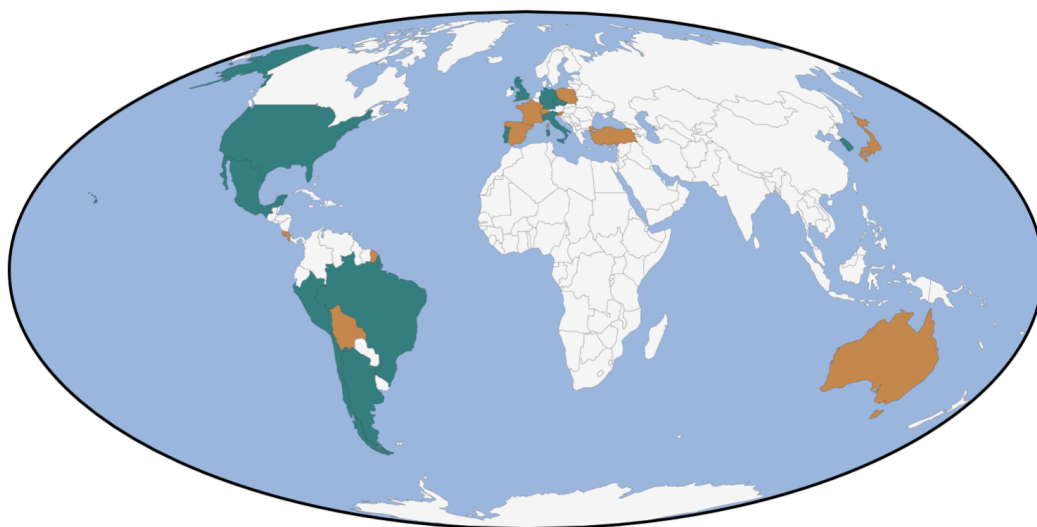


Collaboration

54 research institutions from twelve countries have signed the agreement for the international R&D collaboration for a future wide field-of-view gamma ray observatory in the southern hemisphere. The aim of the collaboration is to develop, over the next three years, a detailed proposal for the implementation of such an observatory, including site selection and technology choices. The partner countries of the Southern Wide field-of-view Gamma-ray Observatory (SWGGO) are Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Czech Republic, Germany, Italy, Mexico, Peru, Portugal, South Korea, the United Kingdom, and the United States of America, creating a worldwide community around the project. In addition, there are 32 supporting scientists from 11 countries.



Countries in SWGGO

Institutes

Argentina*, Brazil, Chile, Czech Republic, Germany*, Italy, Mexico, Peru, Portugal, South Korea, United Kingdom, United States*

Supporting scientists

Australia, Bolivia, Costa Rica, France, Japan, Poland, Slovenia, Spain, Switzerland, Turkey

**also supporting scientists*

Spokespersons

Spokesperson: [Jim Hinton](#)

Vice-spokespersons: [Petra Huentemeyer](#), [Ulisses Barres](#)

Steering Committee

Countries in which institutes have signed the “Statement of Interest” in SWGGO are asked to appoint a national representative to sit on the SWGGO Steering Committee. The current membership of the steering committee is:

Adrian Rovero (Argentina) Ronald Shellard (Brazil) Claudio Dib (Chile) Jakub Vicha (Czech Republic) Christopher Van Eldik (Germany) Alessandro de Angelis (Italy, INFN) Marco Tavani (Italy, INAF) Andres Sandoval (Mexico) Jose Bellido Caceres (Peru) Mario Pimenta (Portugal) Jason Lee (South Korea) Jon Lapington (UK) Pat Harding (USA) The Spokesperson and Vice-spokespersons are ex-officio members of the steering committee.

Institutes Per Country

Argentina

- [Instituto de Astronomía y Física del Espacio \(IAFE, CONICET-UBA\)](#)
- [DPC-CAB](#)
- [Facultad de Ciencias Exactas - Universidad Nacional de Salta](#)
- [INSTITUTO DE FÍSICA LA PLATA - CONICET/UNLP](#)

Brazil

- [CBPF/Rio de Janeiro](#)
- [Instituto de Física de São Carlos, Universidade de São Paulo](#)
- [IFF - Instituto Federal Fluminense](#)

Chile

- [Universidad Metropolitana de Ciencias de la Educación \(UMCE\)](#)
- [Univ. Tecnica Federico Santa Maria](#)
- [Centro de Astronomía \(CITEVA\), Universidad de Antofagasta](#)
- [Centro de Ciencias Exactas, Universidad del Bío-Bío](#)

Czech Republic

- [FZU, Institute of Physics of the Czech Academy of Sciences](#)

Germany

- [Erlangen Centre for Astroparticle Physics - Universität Erlangen-Nürnberg](#)
- [Max Planck Institute for Nuclear Physics](#)
- [RWTH Aachen University](#)

Italy

- [Dipartimento di Fisica, Università degli studi di Torino](#)
- [University of Padova, Department of Physics and Astronomy & INFN Padova](#)
- [Dipartimento di Fisica e Astronomia "E. Majorana", University Catania](#)
- [Department of Physics, University of Trieste](#)
- [Politecnico di Milano](#)
- [Università IUAV di Venezia](#)
- [Università degli Studi di Roma "Tor Vergata" - Dipartimento di Fisica](#)
- [University Udine](#)
- [University Perugia](#)
- [University Siena](#)
- [Dipartimento Interateneo di Fisica dell'Università e del Politecnico di Bari](#)

- [INAF](#)

Mexico

- [Instituto de Fisica, UNAM](#)
- [IA-UNAM](#)
- [ICN-UNAM](#)
- [Instituto de Geofísica UNAM](#)
- [INAOE](#)
- [Facultad de Ciencias en Física y Matemáticas UNACH](#)
- [Benemérita Universidad Autónoma de Puebla](#)
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- [UPP](#)
- [Tecnologico de Monterrey, Campus Toluca, Departamento de Bioingeniería y Ciencias](#)

Portugal

- [LIP](#)

Peru

- [Universidad Nacional de San Agustin de Arequipa](#)
- [Pontificia Universidad Católica del Perú](#)

South Korea

- [Department of Physics, University of Seoul](#)

United Kingdom

- [Durham University](#)
- [University of Leicester](#)
- [University of Liverpool](#)
- [University of Oxford](#)

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- [Michigan Technological University](#)
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