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APPOINTMENTS CHANGES AT THE HEAD OF THE EUROPEAN GRAVITATIONAL OBSERVATORY

Stavros Katsanevas and Antonio Masiero have been appointed, respectively, as the new director of the European Gravitational Observatory (EGO) and the new chairman of the EGO Council. After

seven years as director of the EGO consortium, set up by the INFN and its French counterpart CNRS to operate the Virgo interferometer for detecting gravitational waves, Federico Ferrini's mandate has come to an end. Ferrini guided the EGO through a period that saw the development of the Advanced configuration of the interferometer and reached its basic scientific objective of the first detection of gravitational waves and he now passes the helm to Stavros Katsanevas. At the same time, Berrie Giebels makes way for Antonio Masiero, vice-president of the INFN, to take the post of chairman of the EGO Council, which is the decision-making body of the consortium.