# X-raying the hot and energetic Universe with Athena



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## The Hot and Energetic Universe

- **The Hot Universe:** How does the ordinary matter assemble into the large-scale structures that we see today?
  - >50% of the baryons today are in a hot (>10<sup>6</sup> K) phase
  - there are as many hot (> 10<sup>7</sup> K) baryons in clusters as in stars over the entire Universe
- **The Energetic Universe:** How do black holes grow and influence the Universe?
  - Building a SMBH releases 30 × the binding energy of a galaxy
  - 15% of the energy output in the Universe is in X-rays



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Oppenheimer et al. 2009

Pointecouteau, Reiprich et al., 2013 arXiv1306.2319

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## The Warm-Hot intergalactic medium (WHIM)

Where are the missing baryons in the local Universe? What is the underlying mechanism determining the distribution of the hot phase of the cosmic web?



Kaastra, Finoguenov et al., 2013 arXiv1306.2324

#### ATHENA How do black holes grow and shape the Universe?

#### Cosmic feedback: the origin of black hole winds

How do black holes launch winds and outflows? How much energy do they carry out to larger scales?



## Cosmic feedback: the impact on galaxy cluster scales

How do jets from Active Galactic Nuclei dissipate their mechanical energy in the hot intracluster medium, and how does this regulate gas cooling and black hole fuelling?



### Cosmic feedback: black hole and galaxy co-evolution

How much black hole accretion occurs in the most obscured environments? How does this relate to the evolution of the host galaxy?







How do black holes grow and shape the Universe?

#### ATHENA Athena: Exploring the Hot and Energetic Universe



### A Deep Universe X-ray Observatory

Athena+ has vastly improved capabilities compared to current or planned facilities, and will provide **transformational** science on virtually all areas of astrophysics



## Athena in context in the ~2030 European landscape



Athena is a crucial part of the suite of large observatories needed to reach the science objectives of astronomy in the coming decades

## The Athena Observatory

Willingale et al, 2013 arXiv1308.6785



Rau et al. 2013 arXiv1307.1709

ATHENA +

**Optics** 

• ESA responsibility



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## Wide Field Imager

WFI consortium lead: Germany

#### FoV = 40 arcmin ↔ Size = 140 mm

#### **4 large DEPFET sensor chips**

**512 x 512** pixels with 130  $\mu$ m x 130  $\mu$ m sensitive area  $\rightarrow$  67 x 67 mm<sup>2</sup>

Time resolution: 1.28 ms



#### 1 fast timing DEPFET sensor

64 x 64 pixels with 130  $\mu m$  x 130  $\mu m$ 

sensitive area  $\rightarrow 8.3 \text{ x } 8.3 \text{ mm}^2$ 

Time resolution: 160 µs (or 80 µs with 2-line readout option)

Window mode: 8+8 lines (36 arcsec  $\approx$  7 x PSF): 20 µs (or 10 µs with 2-line readout option)

## ATHEN X-Ray Integral Field Unit

- ✓ XIFU consortium lead: France (PI), Italy & Holland (CoPI)
- ✓ Transition Edge Sensor microcalorimeter in cryo (50 mK)
- ✓ 4-kpixel array
- ✓ Large TES-based CryoAC for
- ✓ Low instrumental background







## Programmatics

## •ESA led missions, but international collaboration allowed (<20%)

•NASA and JAXA are partners

ATHENA

- •ESA responsible of mission systems, spacecraft, launcher, mirror, operations and SOC
- Instruments and Science Ground Segment elements to be provided by the Member States < ~ 400 M€</li>
- •ESA Cost at Completion ~ 1 B $\in$

## Schedule

✓ Hot&Energetic Univ. Theme selected for ESA L2	Nov. 2013
<ul> <li>Athena Mission selected</li> </ul>	Jun. 2014
✓ Phase A and B1	on going
<ul> <li>Implementation Phase</li> </ul>	2019
✓ Launch	2028
✓ Operations:	5 +5 years

## ATHENA+ Italy in ATHENA

Science, Mission and Instruments with a leading role of Italian scientists and industry.

**XIFU CoPI** + synergical participation to WFI

Roles & Community: 1 in the ESA Study Team, 9 Italian co-chairs of Mission & Science WGs + 160 Italian members

Italian Key institutions are:

INAF: IAPS(RM), IASF-MI, IASF-Bo, IASF-Pa, OABrera, OABo, OATo, OAPa, OaTs, OAArcetri, OARM, OANa

Univ. &INFN Genova, Univ Rm1,Rm2Rm3, Univ. Bo, Univ. Pa, Un.Mi

CNR, IFN-RM

Industrial role from mission prime-ship, subsystems, instrument cutting-edge technologies, mirror assembly (TAS,CGS,FBK, Mediolario,..)

Italian contributions formalized at the ESA-Leading Funding Agencies meeting in Otc. 2014