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Geographical localisation - RI associated

Installations/Facilities

















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"Pizzi Deneri" Observatory Facilities

N° 8/10 beds in two rooms

n° 1 Kitchen (incl. oven, fridge, etc.)

N° 2 restrooms

N° 4 rooms for offices

N° 1 workshop

N° 1 warehouse

N° 2 electric generators (20 Kw)

N° 1 solar panels plant (3 Kw) with buffer battery

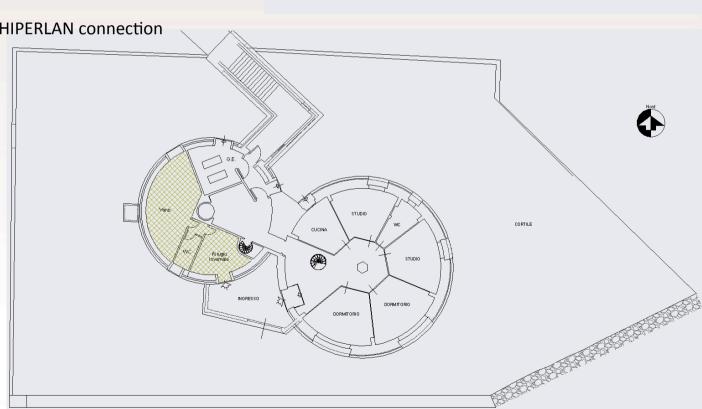
N° 1 hot-water heading (diesel)

- underground water container (not drinkable)

- underground diesel tank

- Internet access through HIPERLAN connection

TNA activities foreseen only in summer time





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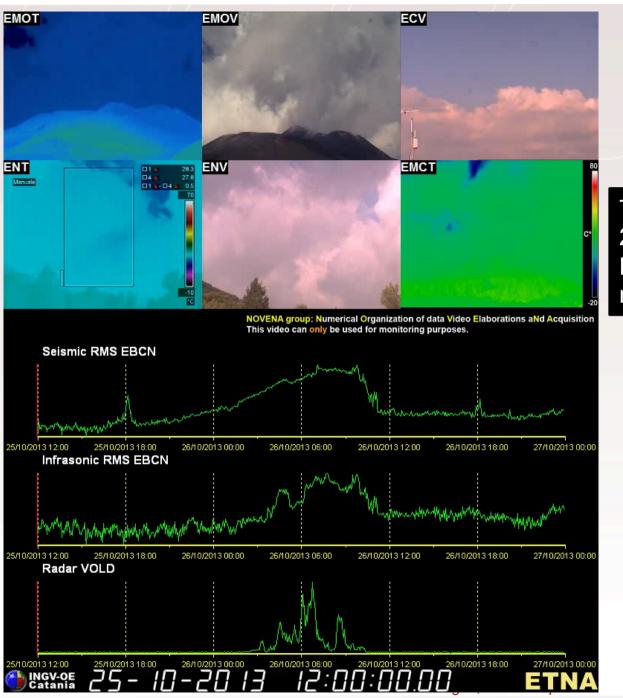
Relevant research area and expertise:

- <u>Volcano monitoring and research</u>: INGV is a top level institutions for both activities (first worldwide in the ISI-Thomson volcanologic rank; manages two Supersites which merge in-situ and space based data sets);
- <u>Examples:</u> monitoring and modelling of volcanic clouds and lava flows; geochemical, seismic, ground deformations monitoring.

Why is the station unique in each RI domain represented:

- Mt. Etna was included in the UNESCO World Heritage List for its volcanic activity and important terrestrial ecosystems;
- Mt. Etna is one of the 16 Decades IAVCEI volcanoes (international natural laboratories for the volcanologic community)
- INGV offers Earth Science facilities suitable also for environmental monitoring
- Mt. Etna is a Natural Park, close to the Catania University and Int. Airport







The October 26, 2013 Mt. Etna Paroxysm: the movie.





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Brief (main) instruments accessible

- 1. LIDAR (suitable for measuring aerosol, including volcanic ash);
- 2. SO₂ FLAME network (10 UV scanning spectrometers for measuring SO₂ flux);
- 3. FTIR (chemical composition of gas by IR spectrometer; @ "la Montagnola");
- 4. Radon network (BARASOL multi sensors BMC2; suitable for fieldworks);
- 5. Magnetometer (GSM-19 Overhauser magnetometer; suitable for fieldworks);
- 6. Gravimeter (spring-based relative Burris Gravity Meter™ SN B68; for fieldworks);
- 7. CAMSIZER® (Retsch) (lab instrument for particle size distribution measures);
- 8. Stereoscopic Zoom Microscope (Nikon SMZ1500);
- 9. Mobile multiparametric system (mobile system which integrates a digitizer with velocimeter, accelerometer, radiometer, infrasound microphone or GPS).





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Past experience in TNA?

- INGV-OE receives tens of applications each year for accessing to its research facilities (Pizzi Deneri Observatory, laboratories, instruments, data sets) for carrying out experiments or fieldworks in the frame of national/international projects or training activities.
- Nevertheless, these accesses are not managed as TNA activity, according to EC rules.

Expectations from ENVRI+TNA: potential cross-domain studies

 Interactions between the volcanic activity and atmosphere, biosphere or marine system.



