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New station commissioned in Kigali/Rwanda

During the **African School on the Impact of the Sun on Ionosphere: Physics and Applications,** organized by ICTP a new Callisto spectrometer and antenna where installed at University of Rwanda, College of Education, Maths & Physics Department in Kigali - Rwanda. The workshop program and some additional information can be found here: <u>http://cdsagenda5.ictp.trieste.it/full_display.php?email=0&ida=a13251</u>

There files can be identified with the header "RWANDA_2014*_*_59.fit.gz " in the e-Callisto data archive here: <u>http://soleil.i4ds.ch/solarradio/callistoQuicklooks/</u>

Welcome RWANDA on board of the e-Callisto network!



Figure 1 ~ Installation of a broad band logarithmic periodic dipole array (LPDA) and low noise amplifier (LNA) by students in the lawn in front of the college..

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Figure 2 ~ Training in operation and maintenance of up to 5 students by the author.



Figure 3 ~ Spectral overview Kigali/Rwanda. Green ellipse shows downlinks from US-military satellites which prove that the system is sensitive to observe solar radio bursts. These transponder signals might be used to qualify the receiver and/or to determine the coherence bandwidth for interplanetary communication.

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Antennas for Solar Radio Astronomy for HF, VHF and UHF: <u>http://www.reeve.com/</u> Contact: info@reeve.com



CLP5130-1N linear polarized log periodic antenna 21-element, 50 ~ 1300 MHz U-boom support shown; rotator and mast not included



CLP5130-2N linear polarized log periodic antenna 17-element, 105 ~ 1300 MHz Dragonfly mount shown but antenna normally supplied with U-boom support; mast not included



CLP5130-1X Cross-polarized log periodic antenna 18-element, 50 ~ 500 MHz U-boom support; mast not included

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Long Wavelength Array (LWA) Cross-polarized, tied-fork dipole antenna 2-element, 10 ~ 90 MHz Ground mounted, mast included

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- CALLISTO or Callisto denotes to the spectrometer itself while e-Callisto denotes to the worldwide network.
- General information and data access here: <u>http://e-callisto.org/</u>
- e-Callisto data are hosted at Fachhochschule Nordwestschweiz (University of applied sciences FHNW) in Brugg/Windisch, Switzerland. Process control, user communication and scripts are conducted at institute for Astronomy, ETH Zurich.

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