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Aim: Share know-how, provide mutual update and offer solutions to challenges, related to most recent advancements in the generation of high brightness electron beams from photo-injectors for coherent light sources. These include in particular seeded X-ray freeelectron lasers and multi-THz superradiant sources.

Contents:

- **1. Examples** of successful **applications** to EU funds in accelerators for light sources
- 2. New coherent and cost-effective light sources in the THz and X-ray range
- **3. Energy spread and intrabeam scattering** in high brightness electron photo-injectors
- **4. Diagnostics** for electron beam longitudinal phase space
- 5. Electron beam **longitudinal compression** and related collective instabilities

Numbers:

3 days, lunch-to-lunch 39 participants from 16 Institutions and 7 EU Countries + Switzerland, UK & China 22 contributions + 6 round tables

Outcomes:

- □ **CompactLight** resulted a successful project by virtue of wide collaboration effort, shared knowhow at state-of-the-art level between all members, production of a conceptual design report with technical specification for new hardware production, involvement of industry on specific items.
- The unprecedented electron beam brightness available nowadays and the need of large degree of full coherence of radiation at higher photon energies moves the attention to previously neglected (and so far negligible) challenges:
 - 1-to-1 particle modelling from cathode emission to MeV energy range including longand short-range space-charge forces, intrabeam scattering, RF nonlinearities, and geometric wakefields;

- electron beam modulation and/or RF compression at < 100 MeV energy;
- magnetic control of time-compression, transverse emittance and beam stability at >100 MeV energy;
- sub-keV energy resolution at photo-injectors, and sub-fs temporal accuracy at linac end.
- **Proposal** of a benchmarking study:
 - semi-analytical vs. numerical modelling of an existing photo-injector, inclusive of IBS;
 - self-consistent validation and sharing of the semi-analytical and numerical tool(s);
 - experimental program to benchmark the theoretical predictions, with special attention to beam energy spread in the low energy regime.