

South American-African Astronomy Coordination Committee Meeting: Welcome and Introduction April 30 - May 1, 2024

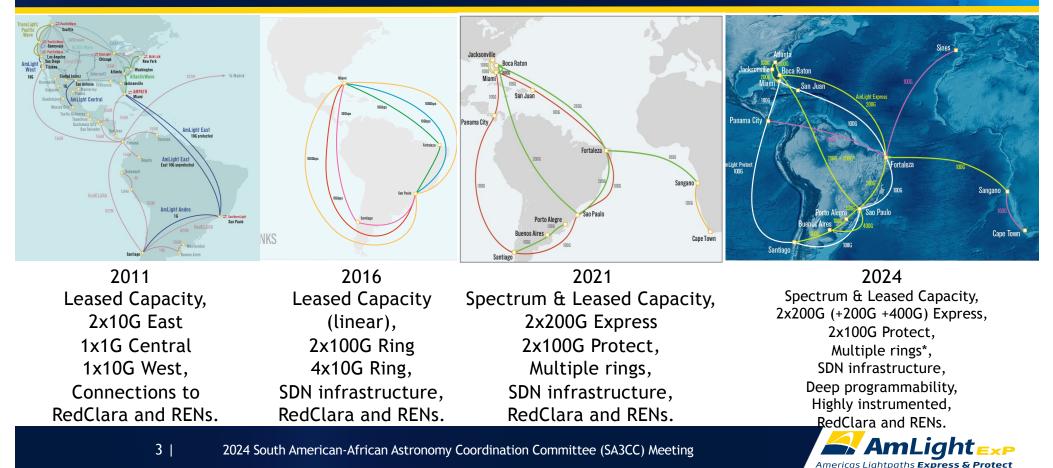
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### **AmLight Express and Protect Network**

- AmLight Express and Protect (AmLight-ExP) interconnects the U.S. to key aggregation points in South and Central America, and Africa (Brazil, Chile, Panama, and Cape Town)
- AmLight-ExP is a 5-year award (OAC-2029283) from the U.S. National Science Foundation (NSF) to FIU, USC-ISI and Vanderbilt University
- Cooperative and collaborative partnerships with REDNESP, RNP, CLARA, REUNA, AURA, Vera Rubin Observatory, FLR, and Internet2



### Evolution of AmLight: 2010 - 2024



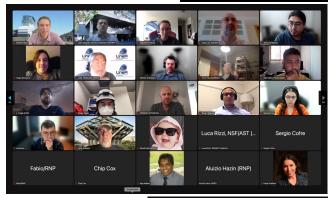
# About SA3CC

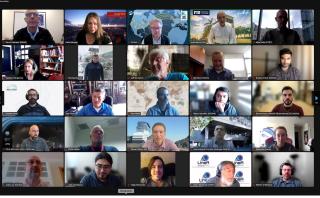
- SA3CC is in its 13<sup>th</sup> year!
- SA3CC is comprised of representatives from the various
  - Major Facilities operating observatories in South America and South Africa
  - The AmLight project, and operators of the Research and Education Networks (RENs) in South America, Africa and in the U.S.

#### SA3CC Goals

- To provide input and advice to AmLight and RENs on program and network needs
- To serve as a venue for coordinating the network needs of astronomy projects and institutions
- To improve the resource planning and implementation of operational connections between distant facilities and users in the continental US







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# 2023 SA3CC Meeting

- Location: Miami, Florida
- Hosted by Florida International University (FIU)
- Venue: FIU Kovens Conference Center
- Date: August 1-2, 2023

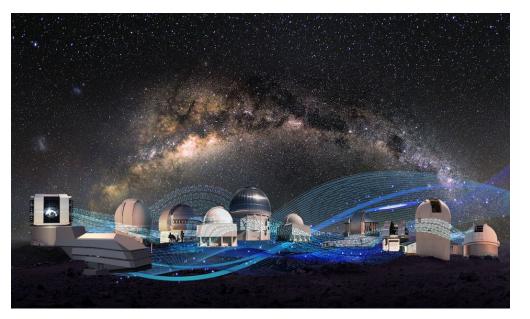


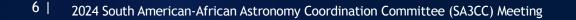
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# 2023 SA3CC Report

- <u>2023 SA3CC Meeting Report</u> is available at the AmLight project website
- Thank you to everyone who contributed to the report
- Special thanks to Dr. Vasilka Chergarova for leading the report writing effort







## 2024 SA3CC Agenda

- Tuesday, April 30, 2024
- 9:00 9:10 Welcome
- Session I: Science Requirements & Activities Updates
  - 9:10 10:30 Project Updates (part 1)
  - 10:30 11:00 Refreshment Break
  - 11:00 12:20 Project Updates (part 2)
- 12:20 13:30 Lunch (on your own, Suggestions: SLACafé, Other options)
  - 13:30 14:30 Project Updates (part 3)
  - 14:30 14:50 Open discussion
  - 14:50 -15:20 Refreshment Break
- 15:20 15:30 Walk to the meeting point and take group photo
- 15:30 16:45 Historic Tour of SLAC
- 18:30 20:30 Dinner at Dinah's Garden Hotel Restaurant (4261 El Camino Real, Palo Alto, CA 94306)
  - \*Side parking is available for free.
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- Wednesday, May 1, 2024
- 9:00-9:10 Welcome
- Session II: Network Provider updates
  - 9:10 10:30 Updates on network infrastructure and services (part 1)
  - 10:30 11:00 Refreshment Break
  - 11:00 12:20 Updates on network infrastructure and services (part 2)
- 12:20 -13:30 Lunch (on your own, Suggestions: SLACafé, Other options)
  - 13:30 14:50 Updates on network infrastructure and services (part 3)
- 14:50 -15:20 Refreshment Break
- 15:20 16:00 Updates on network infrastructure and services (part 4)
- 16:00 16:20 Open discussion
- Adjourn





# Thank You!

- Presenters and Participants:
  - Thank you for taking time in your busy schedules to participate in the SA3CC

#### Program Committee:

- Bob Blum, Vasilka Chergarova, Heidi Morgan
- Logistics and Local Arrangements:
  - Special thanks to Vasilka for coordinating the presenters, venue and many logistical details
  - Extra special thanks for Regina Matter and Phil Marshall for all the local arrangements
  - Finally, many thanks to SLAC for hosting the SA3CC

