

Project overview and status

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F2F collaboration meeting

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New name

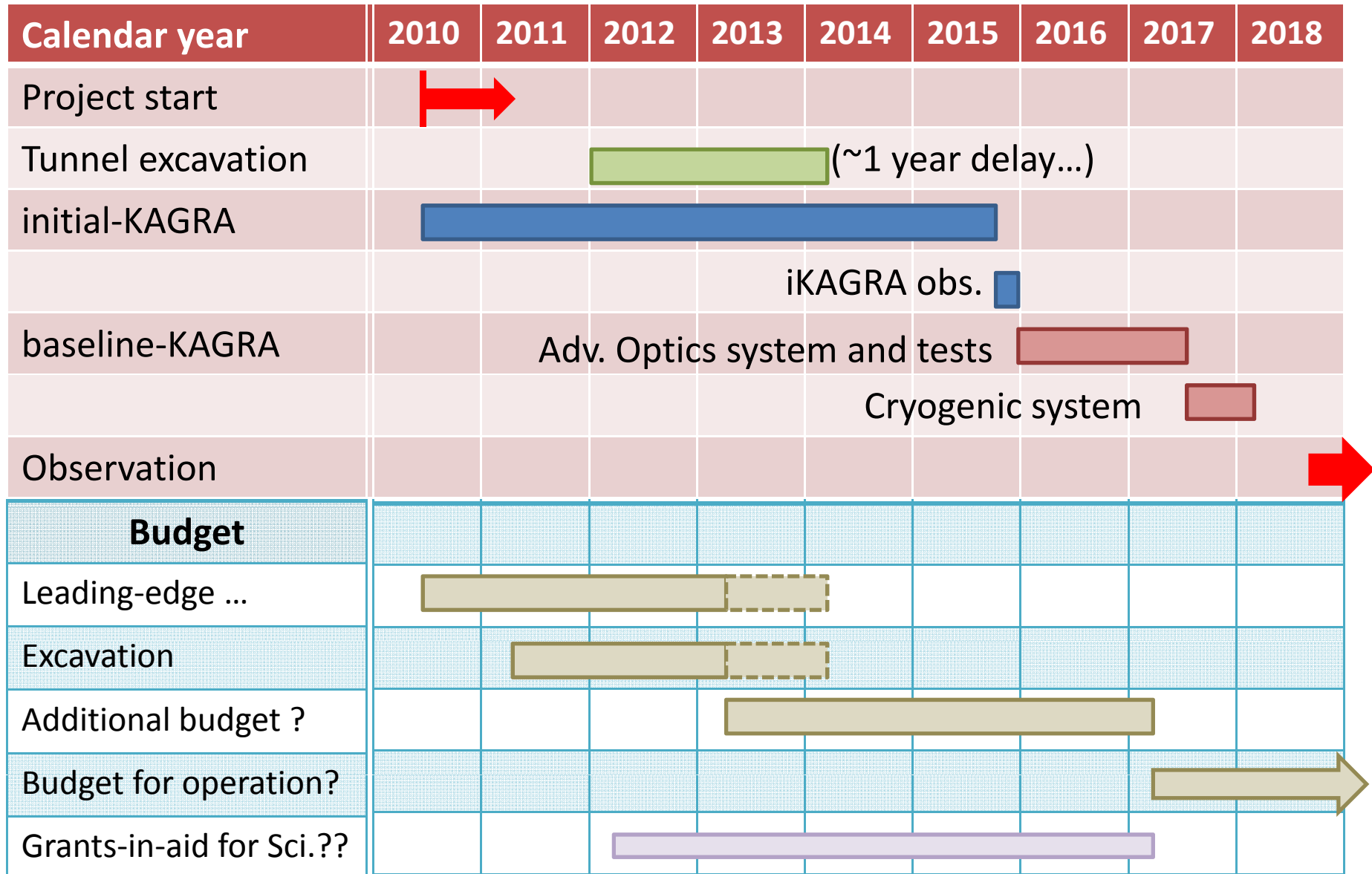
- New name for the Large-scale Cryogenic Gravitational-wave Telescope was decided and announced on Jan.28.
- It is **“KAGRA”**.
- Please use this name from now on.

Construction and related issues

- Groundbreaking ceremony was held on Jan.20.
- Kajima Co., Kamioka Mining and Smelting Co. and Construction Department of U. Tokyo (and the Tunnel sub-group) are making the final discussions before the start of the excavation.
- The excavation is scheduled to finish at the end of March 2014.

Budget and revised schedule

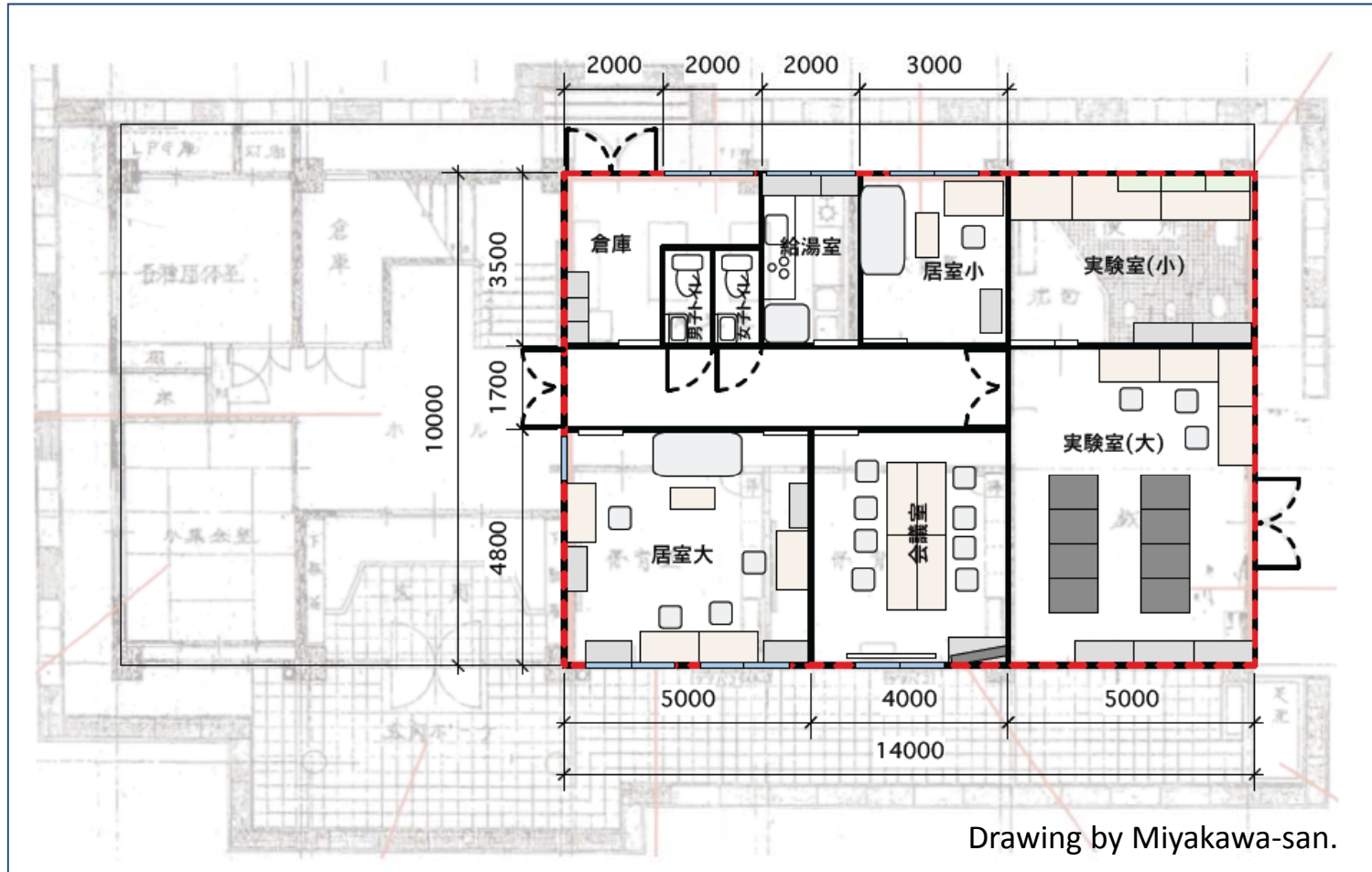
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Budget related

- FY2012 (April 2012 – March 2013) will be the final year for Leading-edge Research Infrastructure Program, although we probably request an extension.
- We plan to submit additional budget request for (1) Cryogenic system and (2) clean environment in the underground facility. The request is for 4 years (FY2013-16).
- The additional budget (even if approved), has many of constraints. Items that are not mentioned in the request cannot be purchased. Items that are already included in the previous budgets cannot be requested.
- Therefore, please be extremely careful to buy all the equipments by the Leading-edge Research Infrastructure Program that are needed for baseline-KAGRA, except for cryogenic related equipments.

Office at Kamioka



The office might be ready to use before summer.

Reviews

- Internal design review → SEO
- External review (for final i-KAGRA design) → SEO
- An interim Program Advisory Board meeting by video → to be held on Feb.23. EC members are requested to attend. Other members can attend.
- The next full Program Advisory Board meeting: Sometime during the summer of 2012(?)