

EVN e-VLBI Session 26e06

25-26 June 2026 (Version 1.0 3 June 2026)

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Test start:      UT 0930  25 June (Day 176)
Nominal start:   UT 1340  25 June (Day 176)
Nominal stop:    UT 1300  26 June (Day 177)

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*  SCHEDULE  *
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Code	Band	Pol	Mb/s	Telescopes	Day	UT Start	UT Stop	Comments
Test	6cm	L+R	2048	Jb2 Wb1 Ef Mc On85 T6 Tr Hh Ir MER	176	0930(25/06)	1330(25/06)	-
EZ041A	6cm	L+R	2048	Jb2 Wb1 Ef Mc On85 T6 Tr Hh Ir ---	176	1340(25/06)	1940(25/06)	-
ER057C	6cm	L+R	2048	Jb2 Wb1 Ef Mc On85 T6 Tr Hh Ir MER	176	1950(25/06)	0350(26/06)	-
EZ041A	6cm	L+R	2048	Jb2 Wb1 Ef Mc On85 T6 Tr Hh Ir ---	177	0400(26/06)	1300(26/06)	-

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*  COMMENTS  *
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- 1) Where possible, stations will run at the maximum available bit-rate.
- 2) Sv, Bd and Zc not available this session (unavailable)
- 3) Nt not available this session (maintenance)
- 4) Sr not available this session (engineering)

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*  PROJECT INFORMATION  *
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CODE	INVESTIGATOR	PROJECT	HRS	GST RANGE
EZ041A	Zafar	Radio Quasars	15.0	0000-2400
ER057C	de Regt	GRS 1915+105	8.0	1200-2000

Possible trigger proposals:

EG137	Giarratana	GW Events	1.0	0000-2400
EG145	Giroletti	Einstein GRBs	1.0	0000-2400
ET054	Troja	Neutron Star Mergers	7.0	0000-2400

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*  SCHEDULING EVN e-VLBI SESSIONS  *
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EVN e-VLBI sessions have a dual role: they support astronomical e-VLBI projects approved by the EVN Program Committee and also provide regular opportunities to test and develop the EVN e-VLBI capability. They are up to 24h in duration in order to support observations of sources at any Right Ascension.

In the event that no suitable astronomical project is scheduled the runs will be reduced in duration and unused time reverts to the individual observatories for use by local programs. The final duration

of the e-VLBI run will be decided at the latest by UT 1700 on the day before the start of the run.

There are 3 classes of e-VLBI astronomical observation:

Type 1: "normal" projects

Type 2: "triggered" projects - to be scheduled only in the event that some predefined astronomical conditions are met.
The required UT time interval may not be known in advance.

Type 3: "short" (< 4h) observations (e.g. to test source compactness prior to a full proposal) which may be granted by the EVNPC Chair on request. Requests should be sent to the EVNPC Chair, with copies to the EVN Scheduler and JIVE (see below).

The EVN Scheduler makes a block schedule for each e-VLBI session according to the scientific merit of the type 1 proposals. This will be the default observing schedule in the case that no proposals of type 2 are triggered. Based on the block schedule, JIVE staff produce the actual schedule for each project to be observed during the e-VLBI sessions.

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*   PIs of scheduled projects should contact JIVE staff immediately *
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Type 3 projects (short observations) are inserted by the EVN Scheduler in the block schedule at a later stage (up to 3 weeks prior to the start of each e-VLBI session) subject to approval by the EVN PC Chair and availability of the requested observing time. JIVE staff will make the actual schedule for these additional observations accordingly.

Trigger requests for proposals of type 2 should be sent by e-mail to the EVN PC Chair, with copies to the EVN Scheduler and JIVE/EXPRES (see below). These trigger requests must be received no later than 0800 UT the day before the e-VLBI run. The email should provide evidence that the trigger criterion in the original proposal has been met and give the exact GST range and source position requested. All requested technical parameters must match those in the original proposal. The PC Chairman will evaluate the trigger request (and decide on priorities if more than one conflicting trigger request is received) and will inform the PI by 1700 UT whether their experiment is to be observed. The experiment will then be scheduled by JIVE staff in accordance with the instructions given in the original proposal. Stations must have the new schedule in hand by UT 0700 on the day that the e-VLBI session starts.

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Proposals of type 2 may replace other, already-scheduled projects if they require the same UT time range, provided that they have higher priority, as determined by the EVN PC. Type 1 projects which are replaced by higher priority type 2 projects may be eligible for re-scheduling in a subsequent e-VLBI session.

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