



# Helmholtz Artificial Intelligence Cooperation Unit (HAICU)

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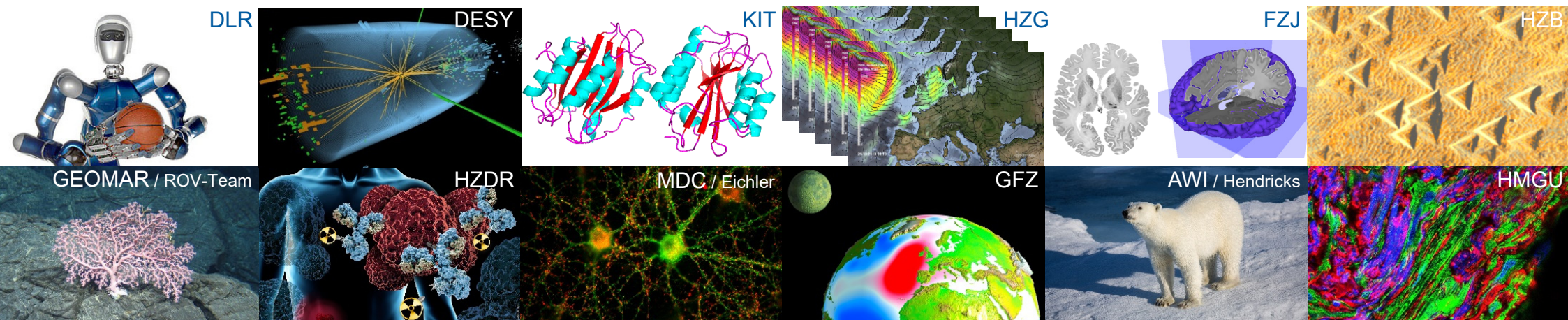
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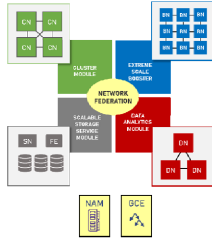
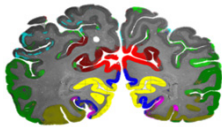
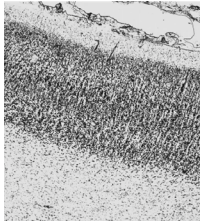




**One Important aspect of AI, and a major justification to build a coordination unit in Helmholtz is that we can apply the same methods to several scientific questions, and hence benefit from interdisciplinary work.**



# Multiple Units across Helmholtz

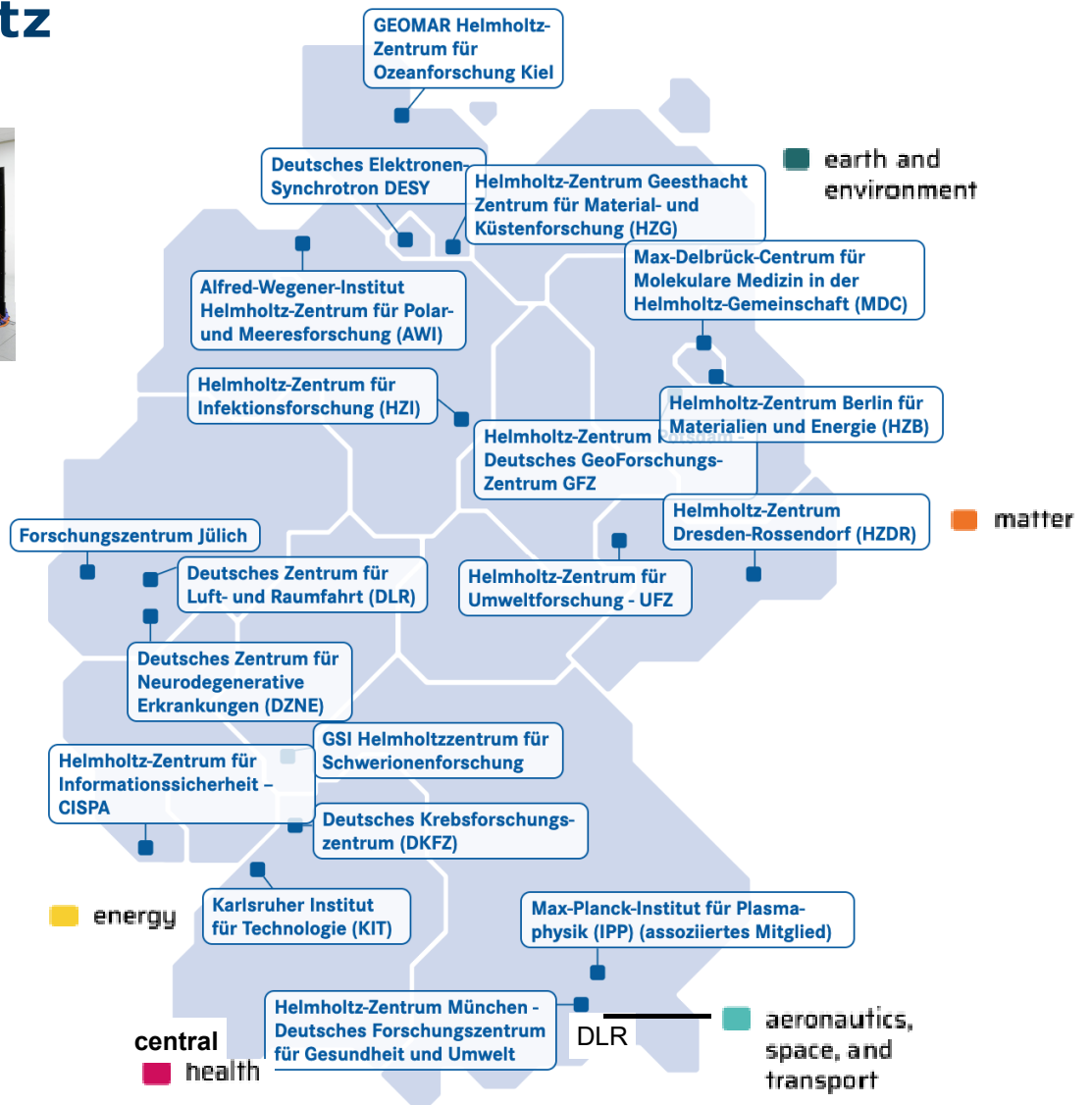


## HAICU Steering Board

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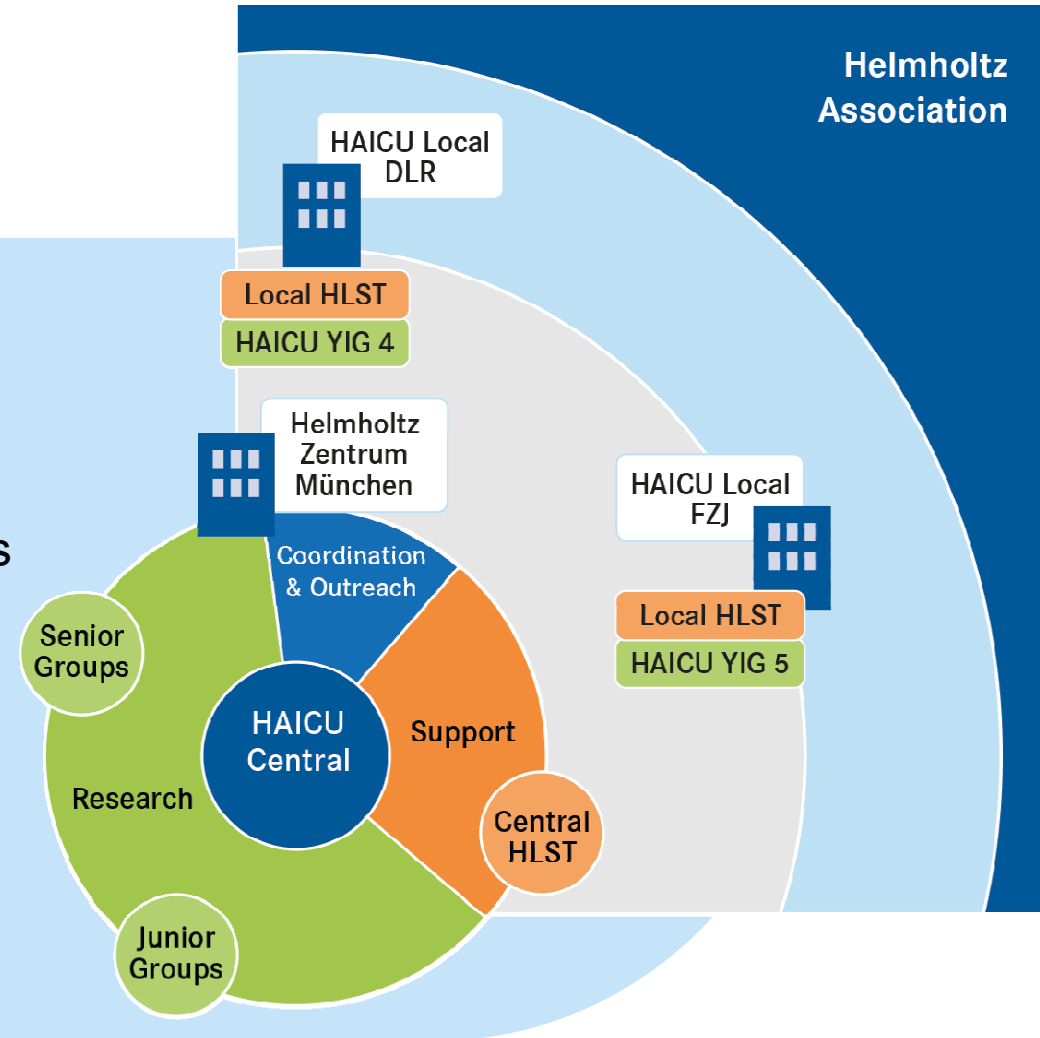




## Vision & Goals

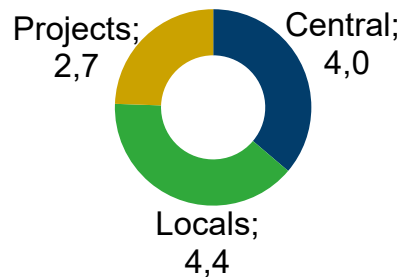


- (1) develop and implement novel AI methods and apply them in use cases across multiple Helmholtz Centers
- (2) provide support for applied AI and disseminate and educate emerging methods



# General Setup

Overall HAICU funding (M€/year)



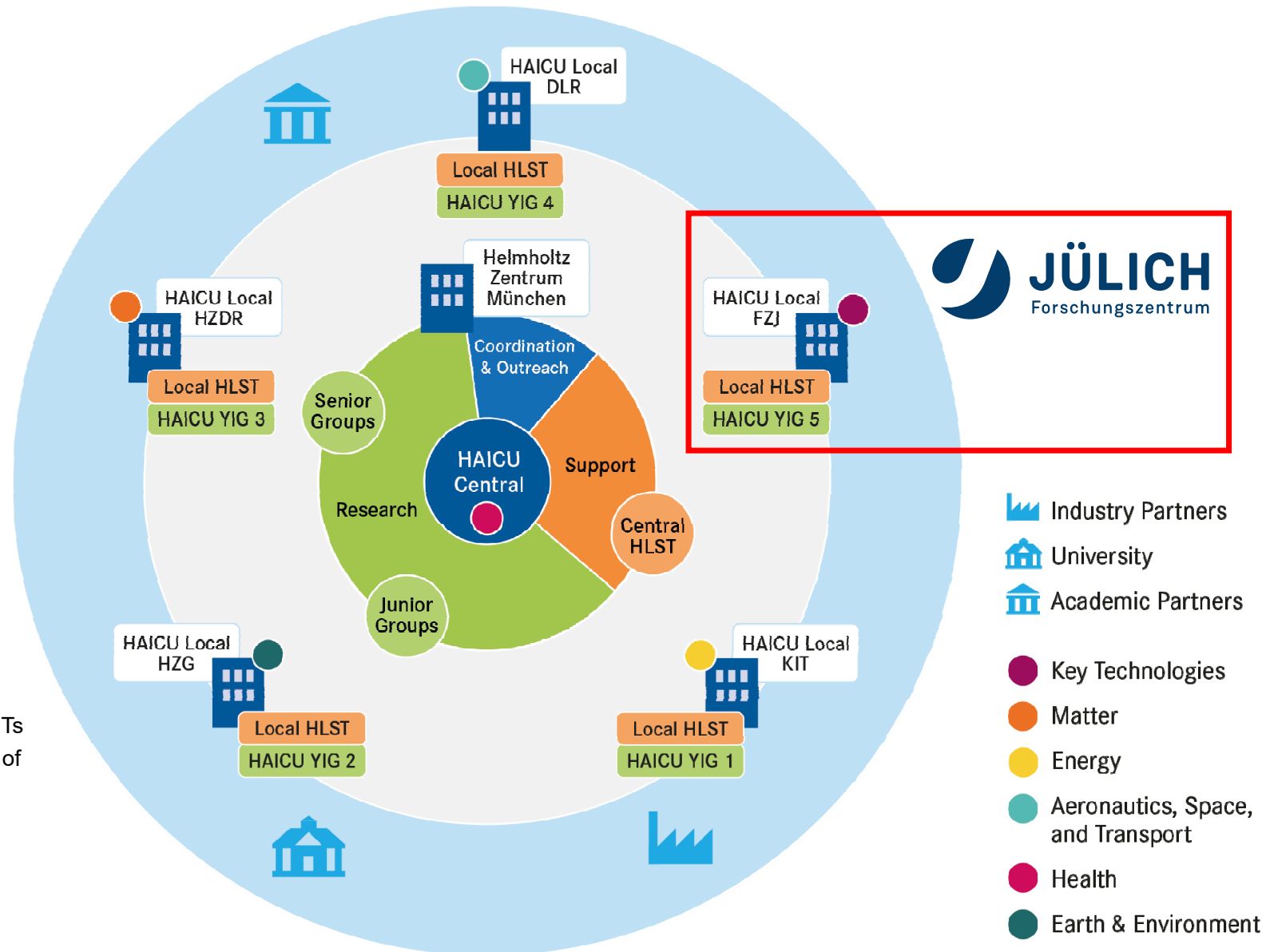
## HAICU Central

- 5 research groups for applied fundamental research
- Knowledge transfer through High Level Support Team (HLST)
- Reach a critical mass and international visibility

## HAICU Locals at 5 Helmholtz Centers

- HAICU Young Investigator Groups + HLSTs
- Domain specific research and translation of expertise into the domain

## Collaborative Projects of different size

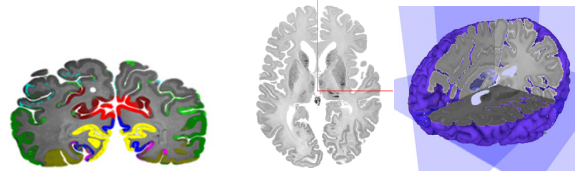


# The HAICU-Information/Key Technologies Local Unit

## Young Investigator Group @ INM-1

### AI for ultrahigh resolution brain models fertilizing brain-inspired architectures (working title)

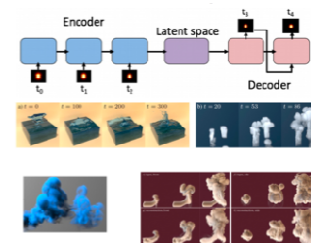
- Deep learning for analysis and 3D reconstruction of large biomedical images
- Learning with limited training data
  - Incorporating physical rules into learning
  - domain adaptation methods
  - Sim2real: learning from simulated data
- Use multiscale brain models to fertilize brain-inspired AI research
- Close cooperation with McGill, CIFAR



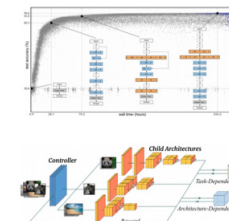
## High Level Support Team @ JSC

Continual Learning - a common “light house” direction with long-term perspective

- Coupling rule / physics based simulations and learning
- Large-scale distributed neural architecture search
- Exploiting and drive research on modular supercomputing



Humbird et al, 2018; Wiewel et al, 2018; Ecker et al, 2018; Xie et al, 2018



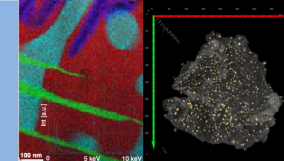
Real et al, 2017; Cheng et al, 2019



# HAICU Local Units

## HAICU Local KIT (Energy):

- YIG: AI for Energy Research
- AI Consultant Team



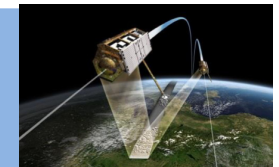
## HAICU Local HZG (Earth & Environment):

- YIG: AIM-Artificial Intelligence in Earth System Analytics and Modelling
- AI Consultant Team



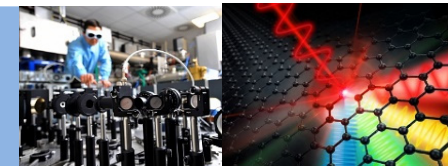
## HAICU Local DLR (Aeronautics, Space and Transport):

- YIG: Large-scale Data Mining in Earth Observation
- AI Consultant Team



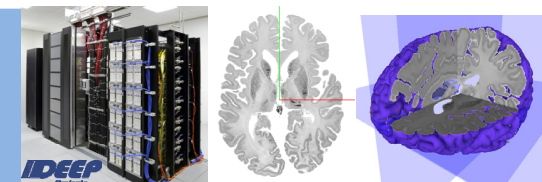
## HAICU Local HZDR (Matter):

- YIG: AI for Future Photon Sources
- AI Consultant Team



## HAICU Local FZJ (Key Technologies & Information):

- YIG: AI for ultrahigh resolution brain models fertilizing brain-inspired architectures
- AI Consultant Team

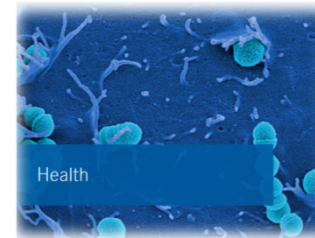


# HAICU Central Activities

- Coordinate HAICU activities and projects
  - Regular meetings of boards
  - Review process of proposals
  - Public relations
- Coordinate and implement HAICU voucher system
- Calls for HAICU projects
- Strategic development & evaluation
- Calls for central research groups / cooperation projects / visiting researchers
- Knowledge transfer



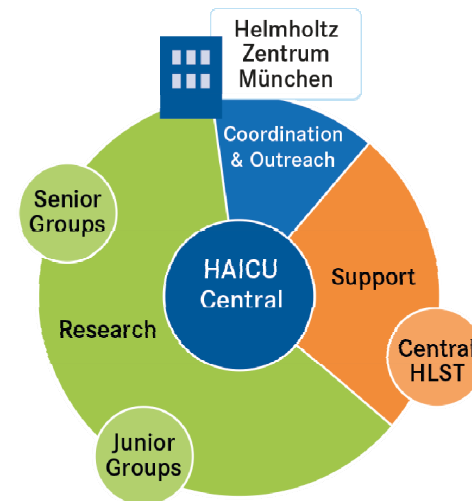
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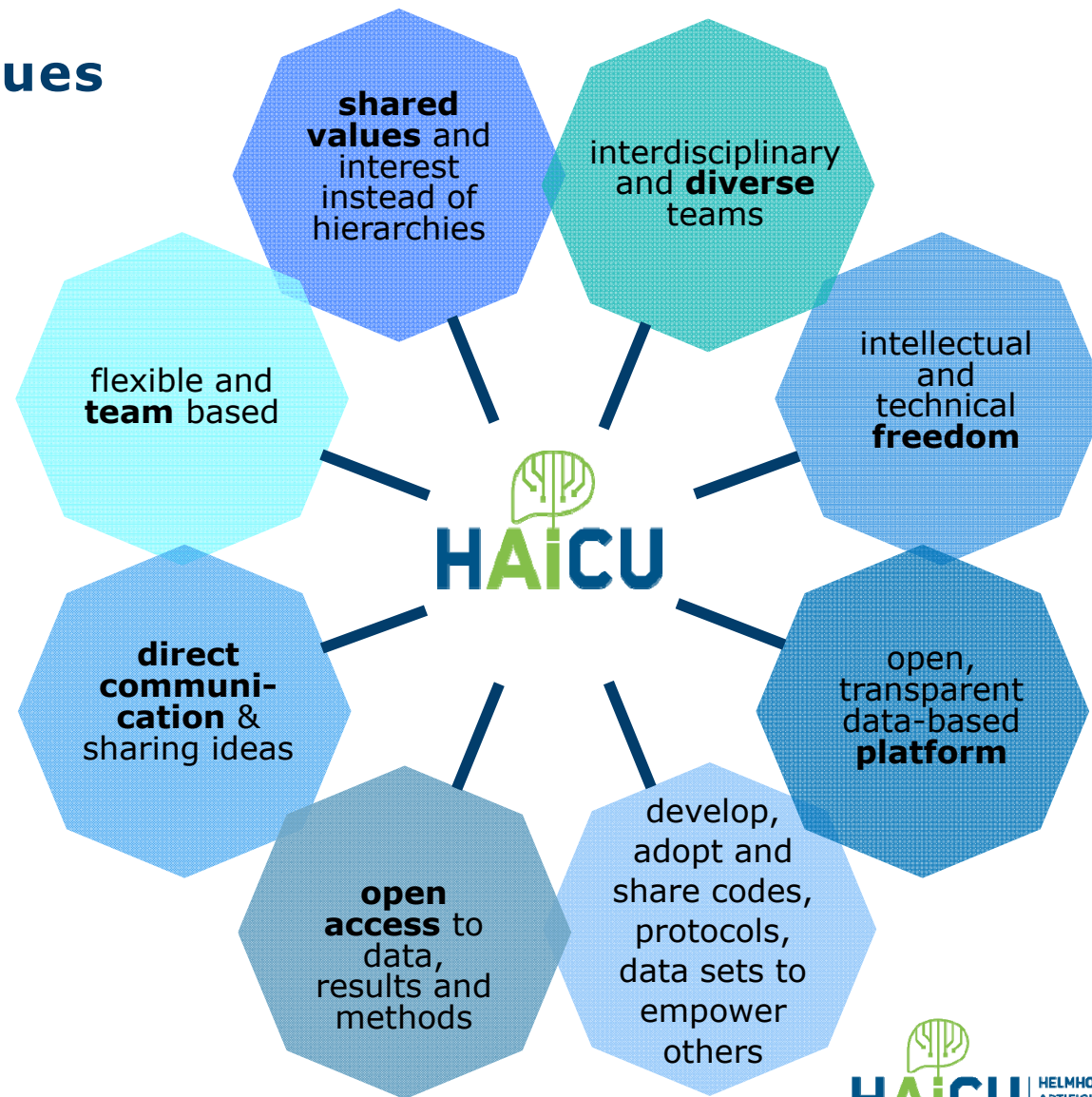
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Our Mission  
Data-based analysis and modeling of  
biological systems

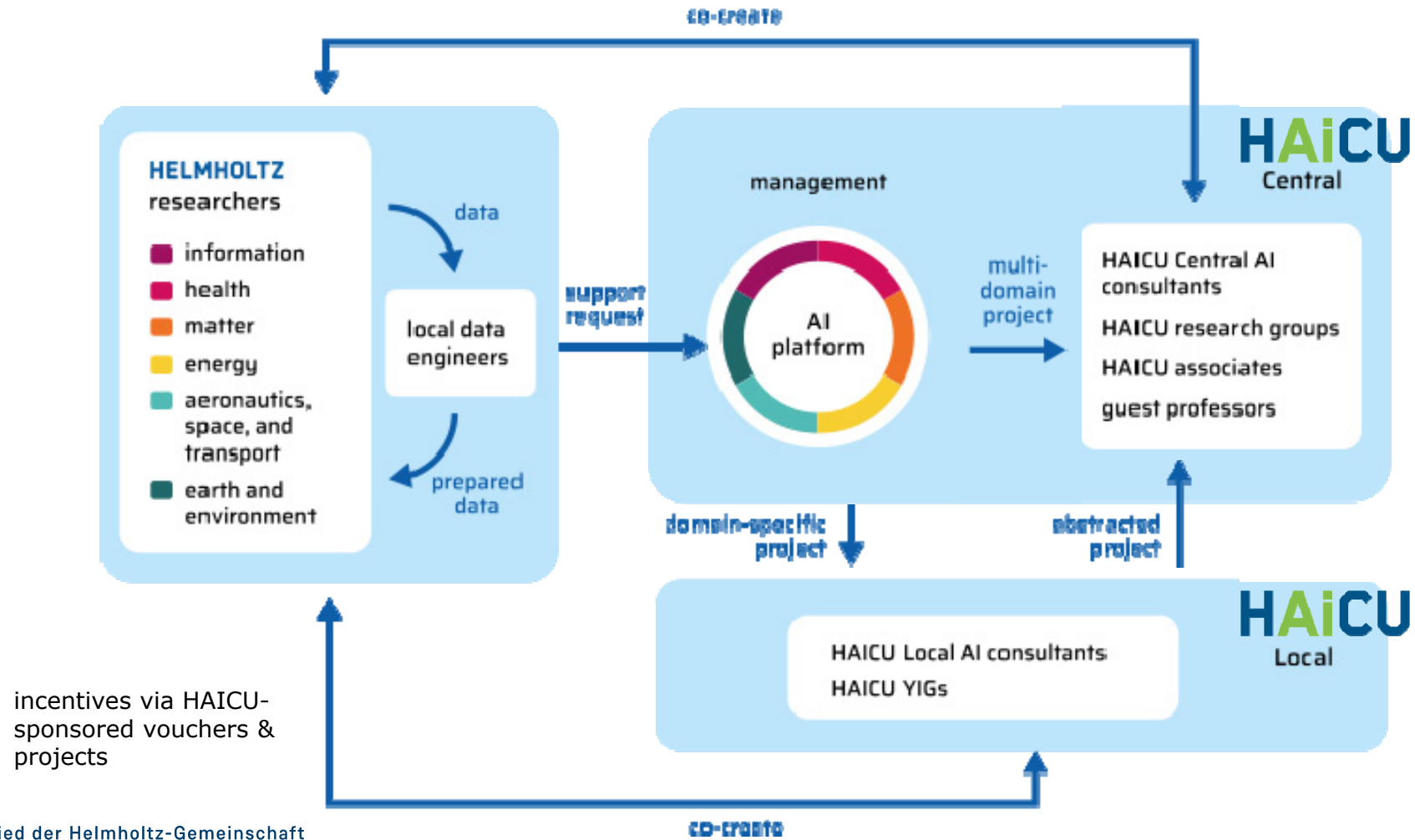




# Culture & Values



# Workflow



# Interaction & Collaborative Projects

## HAICU Vouchers:

- Smaller projects
- Fast and easy allocation
- Tool for managing AI Consultant capacity

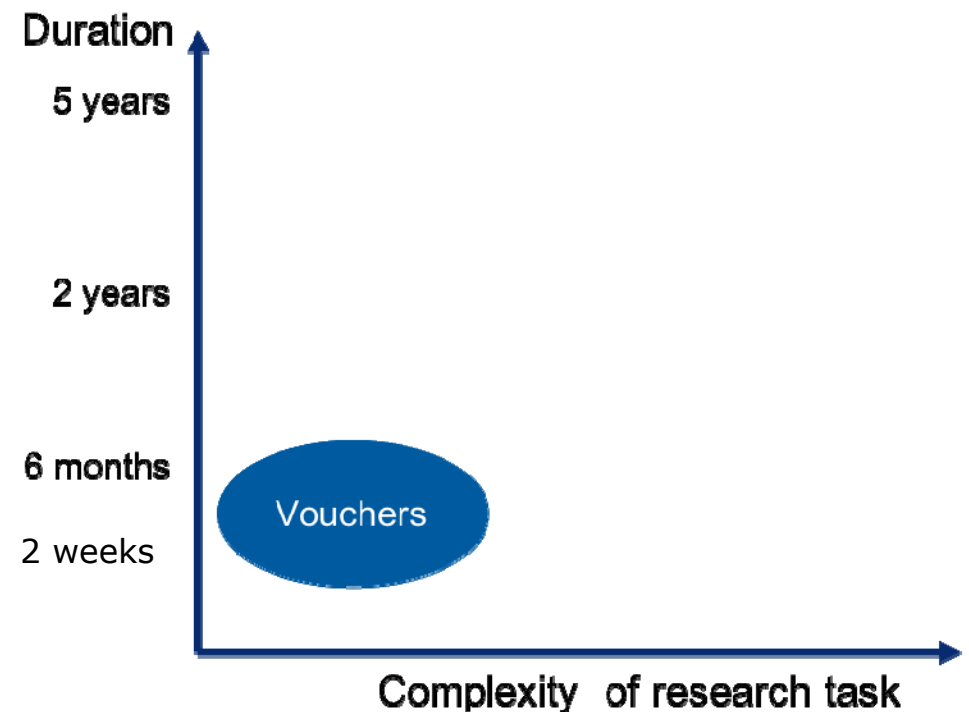
## HAICU Projects:

- Complex research questions that require own researchers
- Review process

*call coming next month*

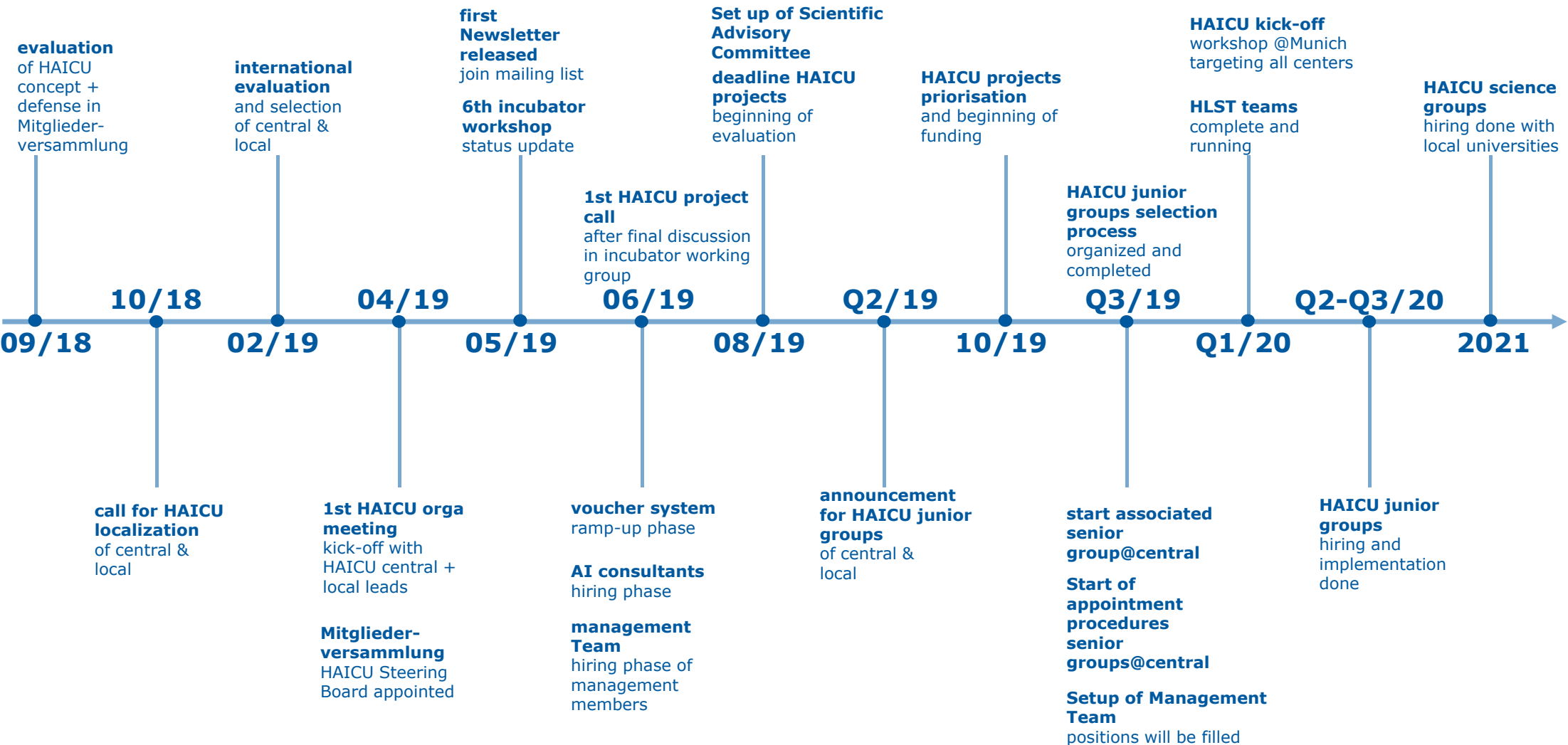
## HAICU Research Groups:

- Long-term scientific directions
- both in HAICU Local and Central





# Timeline



# Contact

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