



Picture taken by Valentina Zitelli  
in **1992**

From left to right:

Roberto Ragazzoni,  
**Favio Bortoletto**,  
Giovanni Bonanno  
Domenico Bonaccini

Joking on the **exact point** where  
the **T N G** will be built



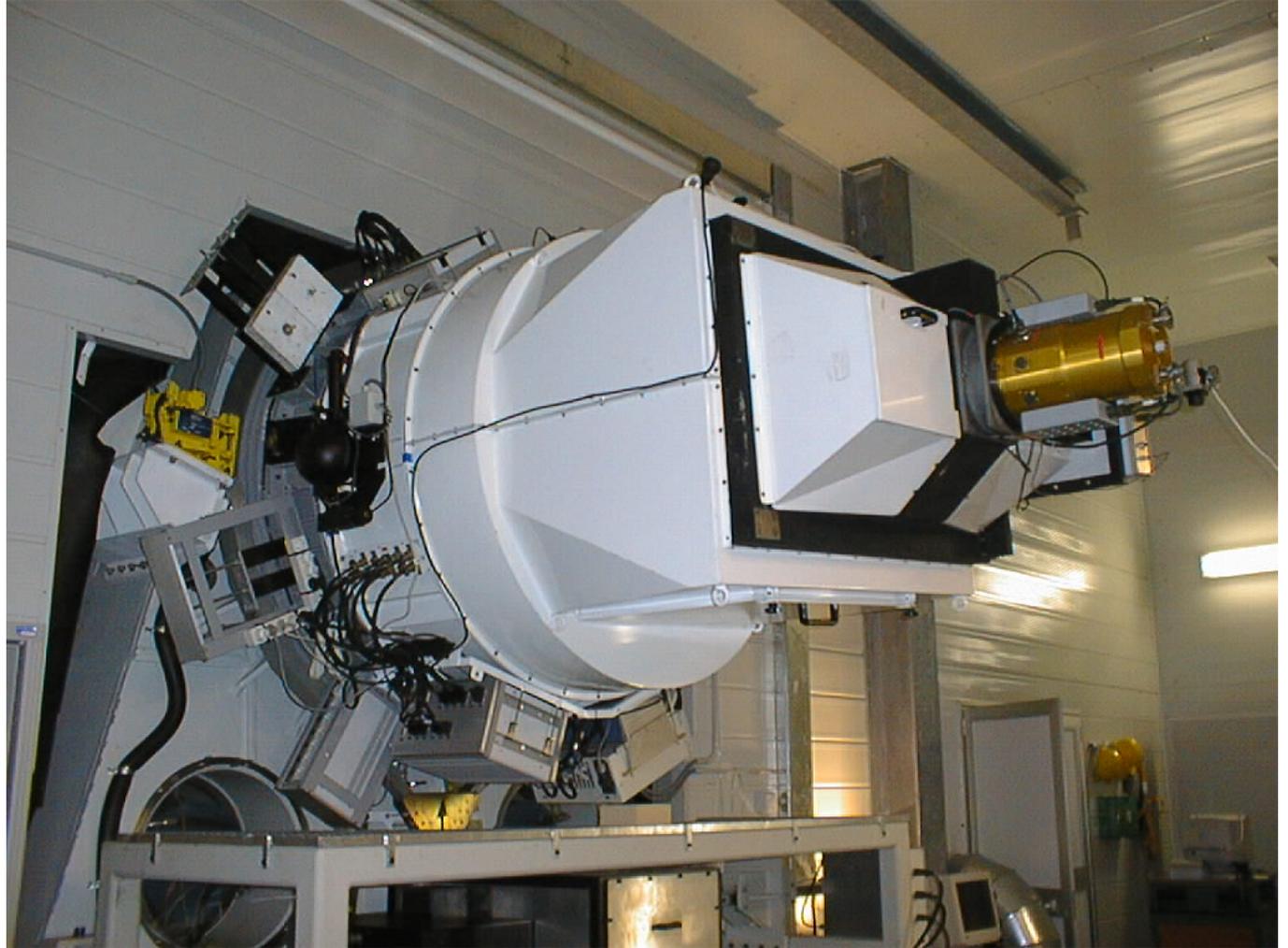
**Fabio** enthusiastically led a group of young technologists and engineers coming from all the parts of Italy. Some technicians were local.

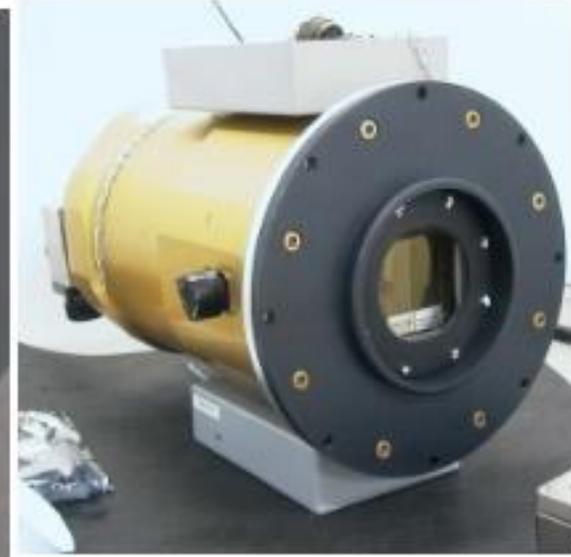
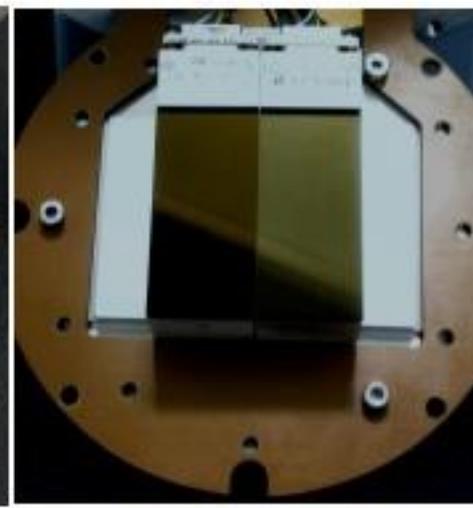
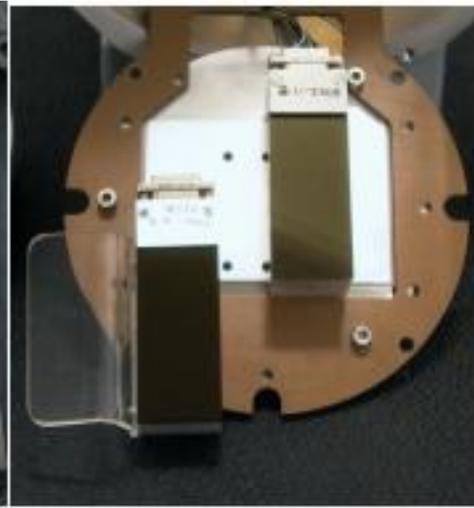
**Fabio** together with all the group faced the works with a pioneering spirit.

All the very difficult tasks:

- Integration, set-up, fine tuning of the whole telescope
- Focal plane instruments installation
- Detector cameras
- Electronics
- Software

were carried out with great professionalism and passion

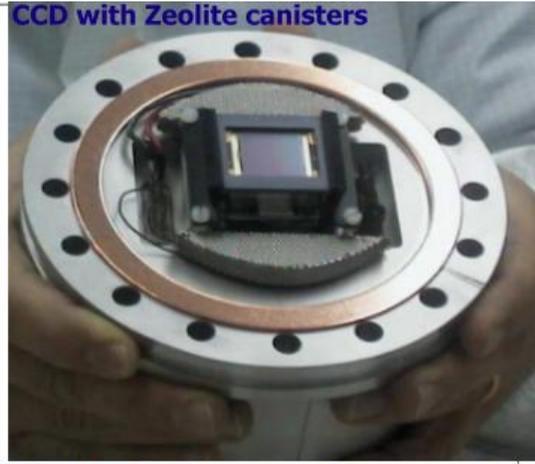




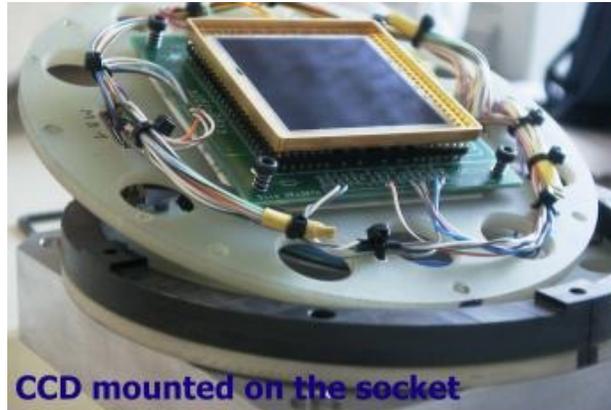
CCD mounting in clean room



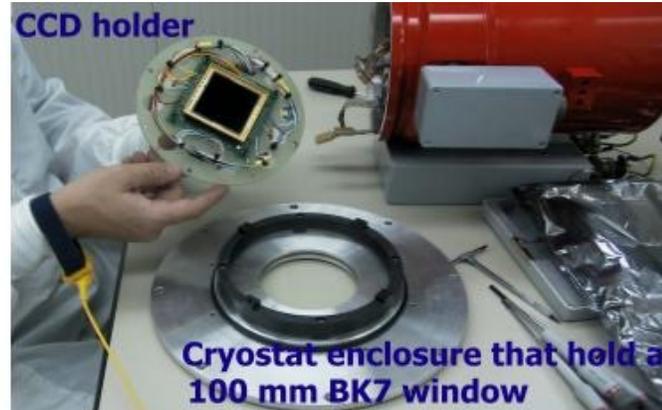
CCD with Zeolite canisters



Mounting of the enclosure that hold the BK7 window

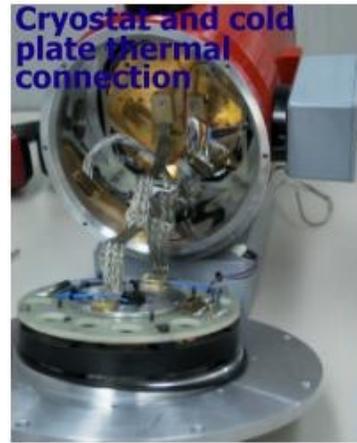


CCD mounted on the socket

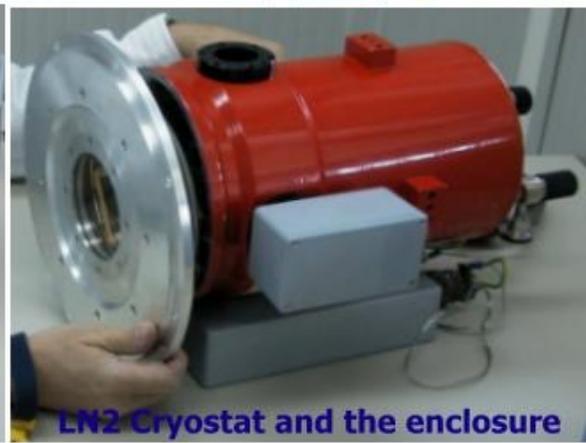


CCD holder

Cryostat enclosure that hold a 100 mm BK7 window



Cryostat and cold plate thermal connection



LN2 Cryostat and the enclosure



CCD Camera under test

In **1997**, next to the end of the construction phase of the TNG, **Fabio** was appointed as Director of the commissioning phase.

Contrary to what was said around .....

very many people (including those of the Catania Observatory) enjoyed working with him.

We did a good work!!! The results ...