

Scientific report for NOVA

The goal for NYRIA2018 in Leiden was to connect young researchers in instrumentation, stimulating interaction and collaboration between participants. The workshop had 38 participants from 10 different countries, including but not limited to Brazil, Russia and Chile.

On Monday, we introduced Dutch astronomy, and organized a borrel, to give participants a chance to organically connect. Additionally, each participant gave an elevator pitch on their research, as introduction to their 15 minute presentation on Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday mornings. During these days we organized a Hackathon on future telescope technologies, and visited ESA/ESTEC to showcase Dutch space-instrumentation efforts. We had invited talks from local staff members on career development, and small- and large-scale projects in astronomical instrumentation. In the evenings we enjoyed the local Leiden and Dutch culture to facilitate networking in a more informal environment.