

Some conclusions and notes

Seven Years in Chile: The
Accomplishments of and Goals of Czech
Astronomers at ESO

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- Even big shots can travel on horses to find the best place for a modern observatory – Astronomy is fun and one has to have passion to work as an astronomer!

- Complain to your Users committee or Science committee member (who reports to ESO Council) if you do not like something or want to change something.

- Lessons learned: Do not wait till the gun is pointed at your head! Discuss the aims and goals of the community well in advance -> sometimes drastic solutions makes the community stronger

- If you have a great idea someone else had probably before!
- However, the only sure thing is that you won't get time if you do not ask for it.
- **SUBMIT! RESUBMIT, RESUBMIT!**
- Long way to success but high gain

- Do not use APEX during February! Bad weather!
- There is also life beyond ESO! ARECIBO, DANISH, VATICAN
- Czech astronomers are quite active -> the whole zoo of stars from Be to Cp, galaxies, quasars, discs, planets, LMC/SMC
- Czech ESO outreach is active! (Krnov connection)

- We have a few brave students who presented! Thank you! We need more of you participating!
- However, we were pleased to see how many students registered!
- We hope you were encouraged to use/work at ESO. That was a purpose of this workshop!
- Do not hesitate to contact people with ESO experience.

- WELCOME competition - it makes you stronger
- Risk is fact of life; stagnation is scientific death
- Be open to the world - that's where the future is