



## **NETLAS NEWSLETTER 9**

Last newsletter of 2020

What a year!

This marks the start of teaching in Kent. With several “half recruited” ESRs, ie selected by us but waiting for their visas in 3 different places, Turkey, Russia, Pakistan, to gain time, teaching started in Kent on 28<sup>th</sup> December during the festive season.

Attendants, the 3 ESRs in Kent, PhD13, PhD14, PhD14 (Alejandro Martinez Jimenez, Rene Riha and Gopika Venugopal), PhD12 (Sacha Grellet in Denmark) and in Pakistan waiting for the visa, PhD11, to be recruited, Muhammad Javaid. In addition, PhD in the Applied Optics Group in Kent, Julien Camard, while in France.

### **FIRST NETWORK EVENT**

Sacha at NKT finalised the first time stretched laser and planning to ship to Kent where Alejandro should incorporate it into an OCT system. Brexit however (what a year!!!), disturbed the logistic, unclear how to document the shipment to avoid customs.

Brexit could not stay in our way, as NKT found a way, to ship to their site in the UK, in Southampton. So looking forward for this unique laser to land into the experimental landscape of the Photonics Centre in Kent.



**Wishes for the New Year: to recruit 6 more ESRs.**



**A Happy New Year to all!**