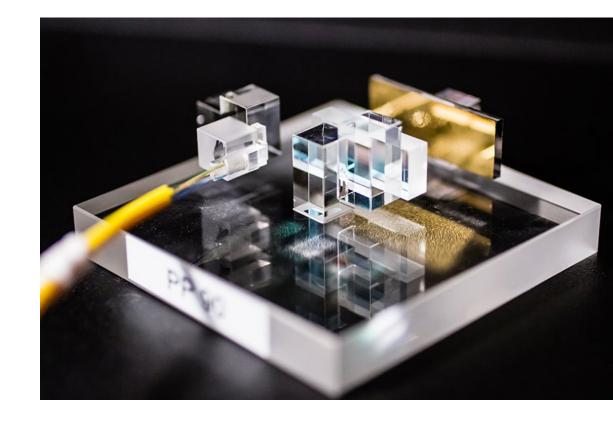




# Beam Combining for High-Power Mid-IR sources

**EPIC** online technology meeting on Mid-IR Photonics

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#### A few words about Cailabs

## We develop, manufacture & sell innovative optical components

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Unique technology (MPLC) and expertise in beam shaping



20+
patent families



50+ employees (20 PhDs)



**16.6 M€** raised

**Stories:** 











#### What do we do?

### MPLC enables combination of multiple low-power sources

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Multi-Plane Light Conversion = passive, flexible beam shaping & multiplexing technology.

#### Can be used for passive, incoherent beam combination:

- Transforms *N* single-mode input beams into a **homogenous**, **power** *xN* **output beam**
- Achieves the optimal output quality (= lowest M²) by choosing how each input is converted (choosing the output mode)



→ Efficient beam combiner with optimal beam quality

# What can we offer for mid-IR photonics?

# Cailabs offers portable high-power mid-IR sources

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# Many applications require portable, high-power sources at 3-10 µm range

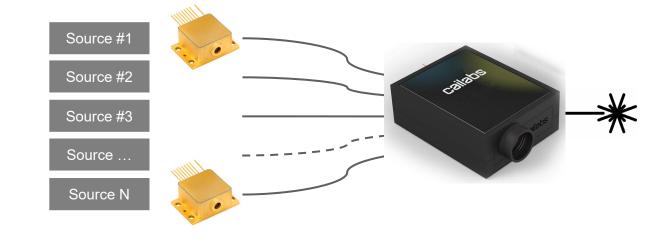
 Counter-measures, free-space communications, gas sensing, organic material processing, etc.

# The most promising sources are Quantum Cascade Lasers:

- Very portable
- Very good beam quality
- Large wavelength range available

... But they have limited output power < 2W!

Cailabs offers a compact, high-power source based on QCL combining with good beam quality!



Numbers of input	1 to 10
Wavelength	2.5 to 10 µm
M <sup>2</sup>	< 3
Insertion loss	< 2 dB
Power output	5 to 16W
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## What are we looking for?

# Cailabs looks for new challenges, new partners and news suppliers

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#### We are looking for new applications:

What new possibilities do these high-power sources offer?

#### We are looking for partners:

- Labs who wish to look for novel applications
- Integrators who need higher power sources at MIR wavelengths

#### We are looking for new suppliers:

- Manufacturers of optics in MIR compatible materials
  - Micro-lens arrays
  - Aspheric lenses
  - Dichroic components
- Providers of optical coatings at MIR wavelengths





Thank you for your attention!

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