



African VLBI Network (AVN) in the context of radio astronomy development in Africa

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Radio astronomy development in the African continent has picked up pace in the advent of the MeerKAT and forthcoming MeerKAT+ as well as Square Kilometer Array (SKA). The conversion of the Ghana 32m communication antenna in a radio telescope as part of the AVN project has led to a number of successful fringe test observations with the European VLBI Network (EVN) and the HartRAO 26m telescope. The planned African Millimeter Telescope (AMT), if fitted with lower frequency feeds will join the AVN and bring the AVN closer to an independent imaging array. This talk will cover the developments and future prospects with anticipated timelines.