

Possible

# Future instrumentation upgrades

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- - High voltage power supply.
- - High voltage automatic regulation.
- - Monitor (slow control) interface.
- - Central trigger system.
- - DAQ computer.
- - TRB3.

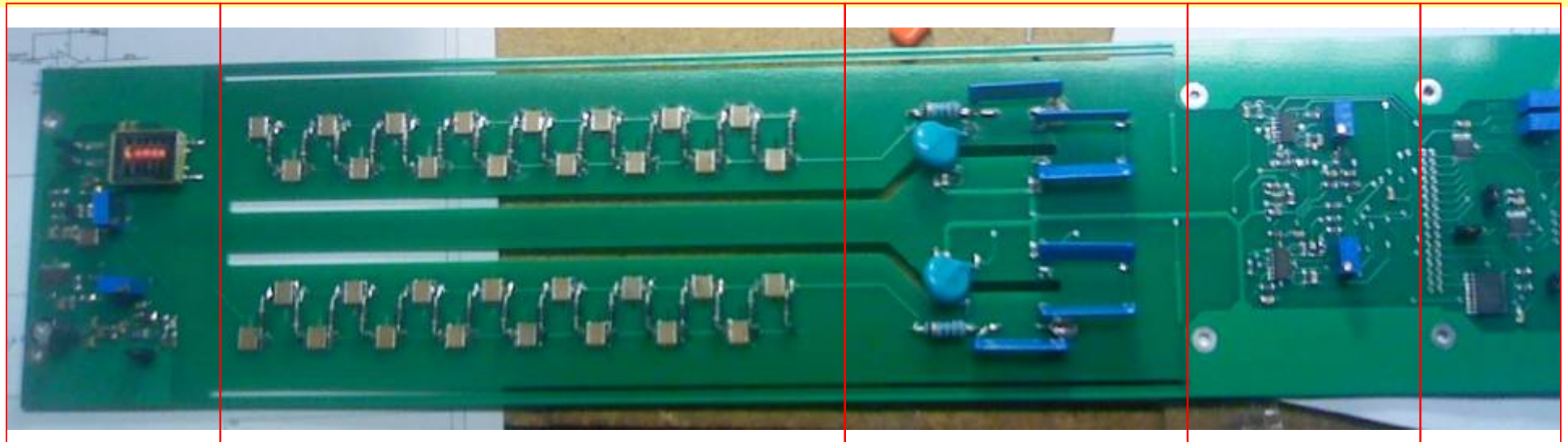
# HV power supply. Old design.

Present TRAGALDABAS HV PS



- 🔴 - HV (up to +/- 7kV) not regulated.
- 🔴 - **Based on DC-DC converters (EMCO E70R). Expensive. Only available in USA.**
- 😊 - Monitoring (T,P, %RH sensors ) are integrated on the PS.
- 😊 - High power consumption (around 19W).
- 🟢 - Overcurrent protection.
- 🟢 - Voltage and current measurement/channel.
- 😊 - Supply from 19 V.
- 🟢 - Fully remotely controllable.

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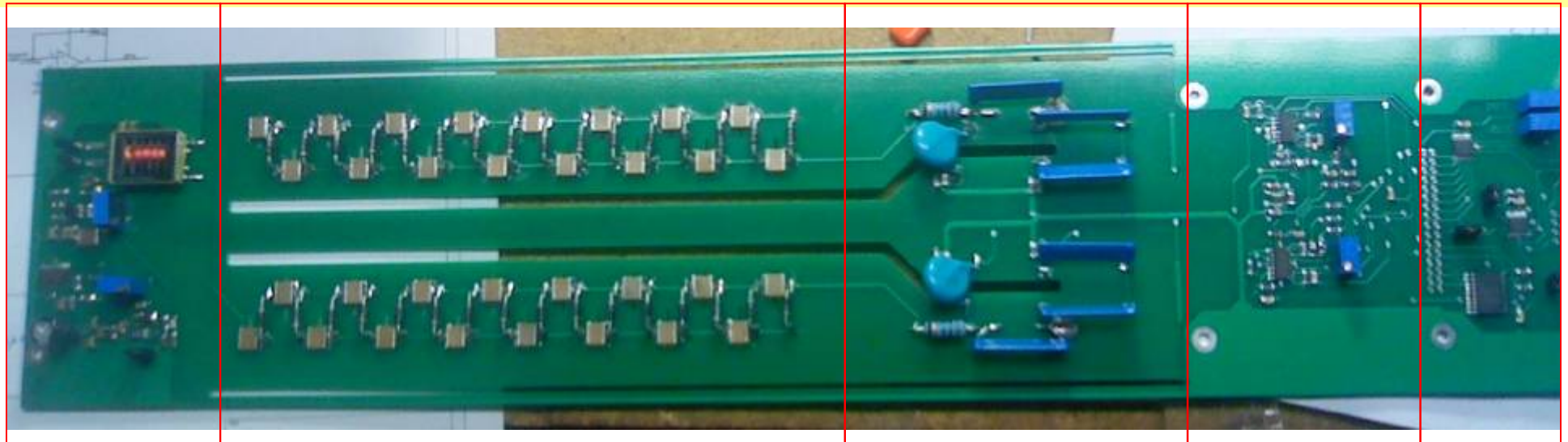
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- - Regulation of the sum of both polarities up to +/-9kV.
- - All components locally available.
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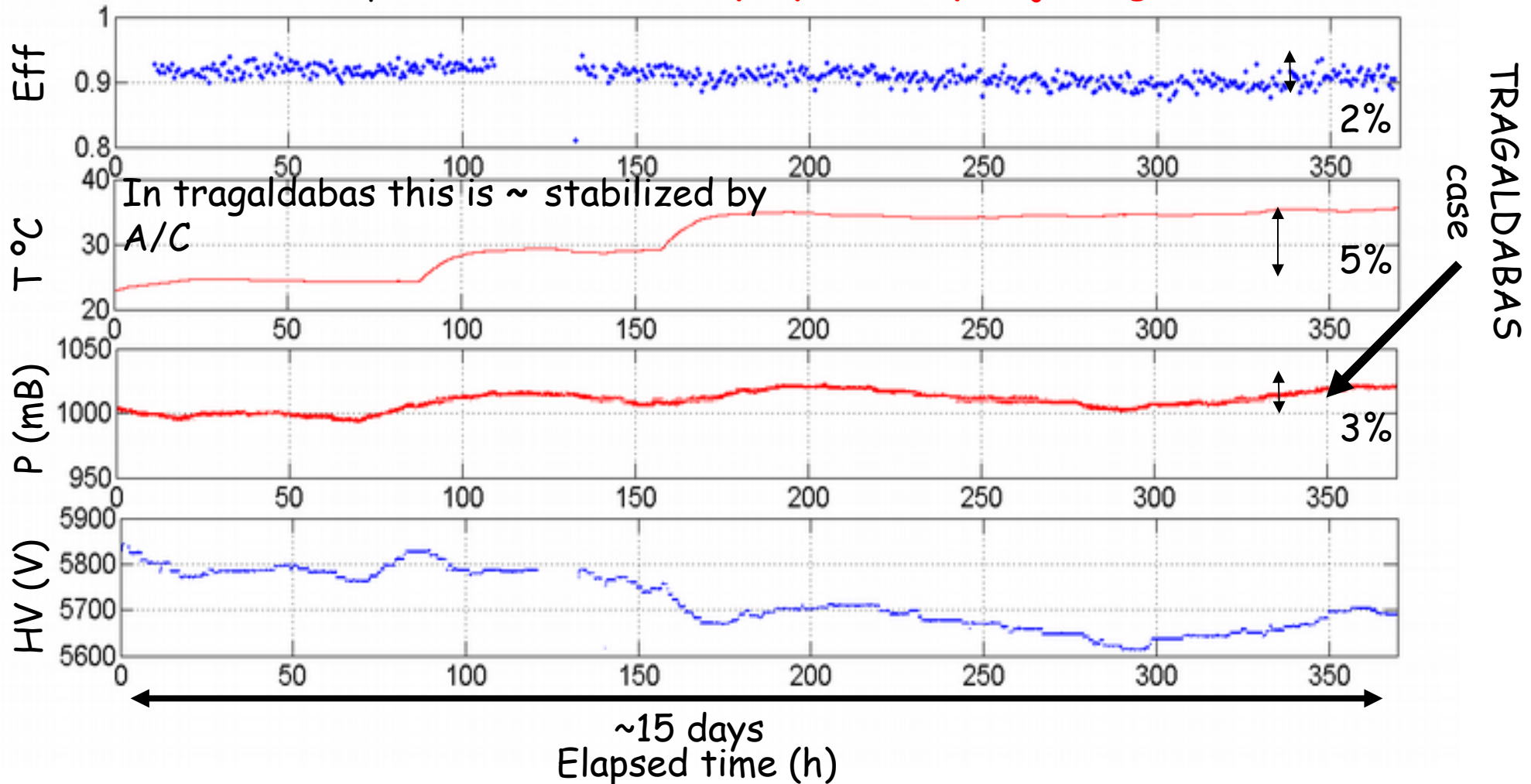
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- Now in mass production (60 units).

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# HV power supply. Automatic regulation

Tested in a similar setup

**Efficiency is kept stable (+- 1%)** for temperature excursion of 15°C and natural pressure variations **by dynamically adjusting the HV.**



Gaseous electronics  $\Rightarrow \delta HV/HV = - \delta T/T = \delta P/P$

# Monitoring interface

Present TRAGALDABAS monitoring (T, P, %RH sensors) is included on the HV PS  
This is based on a u-controller => modifications of the functionality are difficult  
=> decouple both thing (HV PS and monitoring).

## Raspberry PI + I<sup>2</sup>C multiplexer

- Up to 8 I<sup>2</sup>C buses (more are also possible)
- Programed in high level: C++
- Fully remotely updatable
- I<sup>2</sup>C bus arbitration embebed on the kernell
- Inexpensive

### -Currently implemented:

- T sensors
- P sensors
- %RH sensors
- HV PS
- Some DACs and ADCs





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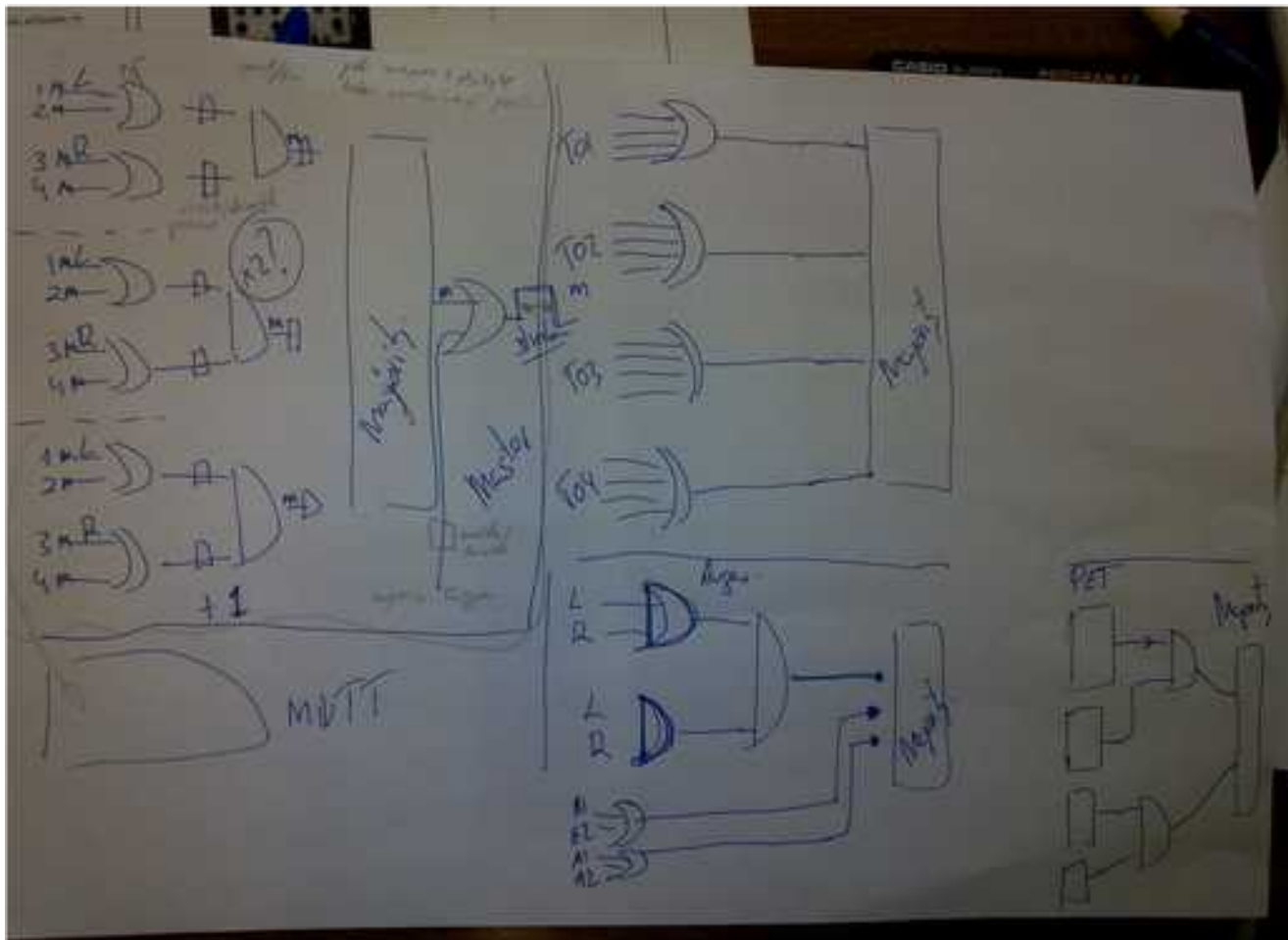
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# Central trigger system

**IDEA:** replace the present trigger system based in expensive, bulky, unflexible NIM modules by a FPGA based unit.

**Versatile implementation of different trigger schemes.  
Cover all the possible setups that exist right now.**



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Functionality:

- Fully remotely configurable

**Input**

- 32 NIM/TTL/LVTTL
- Monitoring + log (scalers)

**Logic**

- Arbitrary And / Or (two stages) + majority
- Internal clock

**Output**

- 4 LVDS
- Delay / stretching

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- Many other features has been implemented mean while.
  - Selectable time width of the inputs.
  - Internal monitoring of the signal in the logic blocks.
  - Possibility to bypass the inputs directly to the DAQ (proper electronic format of the signals), with good timing qualities.
- The limit is in our imagination.

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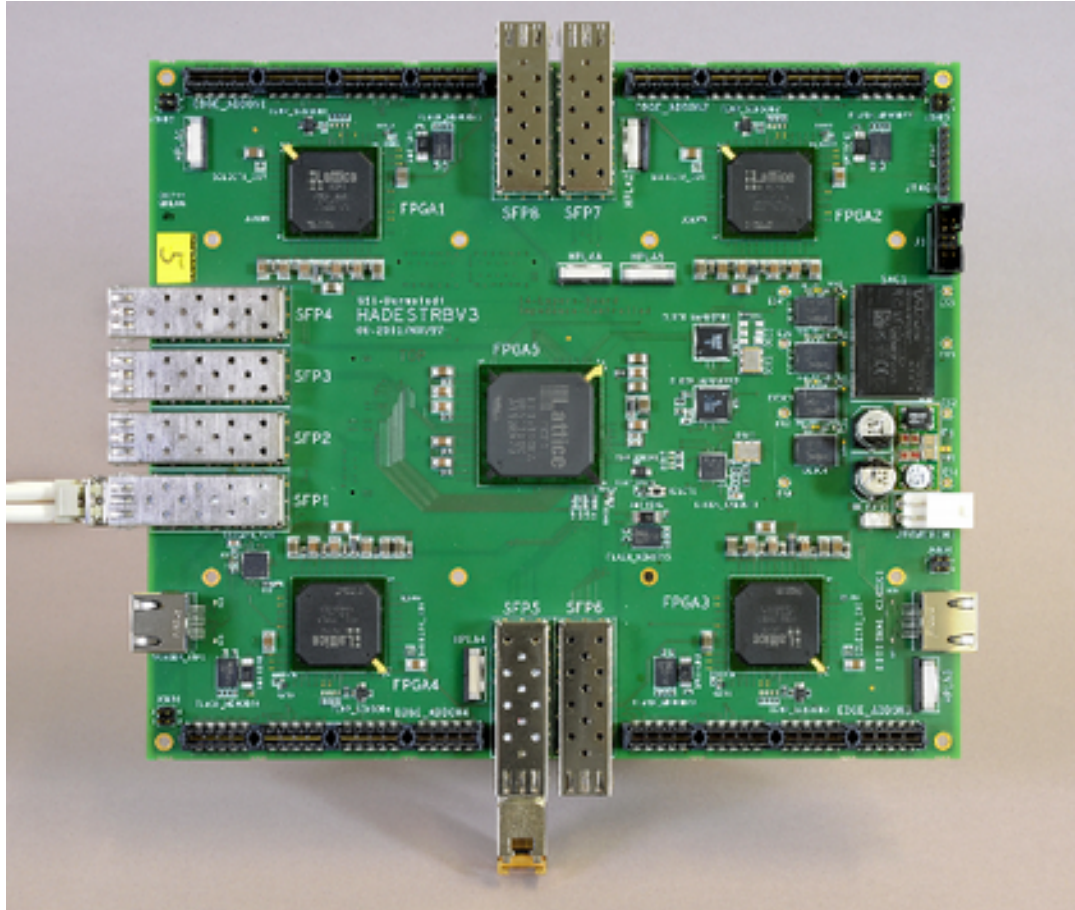




- Raspberry like computers are now integrated as DAQ computer.
- Inexpensive (50 €) and easy to replace.
- Already tested in few setups and test beams.
- Quite performing. Capable of reading up to ~500 Mbits



## Evolution of the TRB2



One central FPGA with trigger management capabilities and communications plus 4 sockets with capability to operate.

- Multi-hit TDC
- ADCs channels @ 40 Mhz
- Data concentrators
- PADIWA amps
- ...

And much more

A Neiser *et al* 2013 *JINST* **8** C12043  
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# TRB3 Vs TRB2

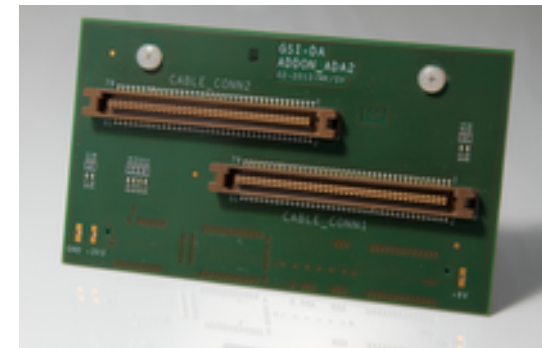
## TRB2

- It is **no longer supported or available** (HPTDC chips do not exist any longer).
- **Present setup is a "bricolage"**. Boards are running without any kind of synchronization, which is granted by couple of "tricks". => **extra dead time and low duty cycle**.

## TRB3

- **Full support and availability**.
- **Compatible** (a priority) with HADES-RPC FEE through the 80PIN-Addon, to be check.
- 130 double edge channels/TRB3
- Time resolution down to 20 ps sigma.
- Trigger management capability and board synchronization.

80PIN-Addon



Change to TRB3 will imply.

- **Money**. 2500 € / plane (TRB3)+ 3000 € CTS + network concentrator.
- **Small software modifications**, unpacker and SPI (threshold setting).

Central trigger System

