

## **First user experiments at the VUV-FEL at DESY**

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The VUV-FEL at DESY has started user operation at a wavelength of 32 nm in summer 2005. At the time of this workshop about ten different experiments will have had their first beamtime. The FEL beam can be switched between four experimental stations by movable mirrors. A synchronised optical laser system is available for pump-probe experiments. Diagnostics has been implemented to monitor the pulse energy and its timing with respect to the optical laser. The talk reviews the current status of the facility and the first user experiments.