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Interactive comment on "EARLINET: towards an advanced sustainable European aerosol lidar network" by G. Pappalardo et al.

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The paper as part of a special issue collection gives a good technical and historical report on EARLINET. It is extense in order to cover all details and gives the reader a good sense of completeness. There are a few remarks and suggestions covering typographical errors as some colloquial use of some terms that would be worth changing or clarifying.

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Aerosol-cloud-radiation

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Dark (current) measurement, telecover test and Rayleigh fits should be put in quotation marks, since they are an technique specific title for tests that are only used in the lidar community. Also a table summarizing all the information about these tests would give more fluence to the text. Finally I believe these test are made also when significant changes in the system configuration are performed.

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theoretical which do not

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Lidar and depolarization ratios

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Systematic differences and errors among all distinct inversion approaches.

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ALINE aka LALINET, Latin American Network (and not South American Network as referee #1 pointed out)

Figure 4 has very poor resolution

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